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## MULINO SOBRINO POLENTA

The image of great polenta being stirred all day long next a burning fire to achieve the perfect texture and taste is a very romantic idea, even if not very practical. But it isn't required to attain great polenta flavor! After tasting the polenta made with flour from Mulino Sobrino on many trips to Piemonte, we decided to partner with Ari Manzin of Bianco Rosso Imports to bring this wonderful flour to Seattle. Produced at a mill in La Morra, this polenta is at its best when only water and salt are added. Renzo Sobrino mills corn flour to perfection, and everyone who has turned this flour into polenta has marveled at the phenomenal flavor.

### Mulino Sobrino Corn Flour

1 Kilo 12.00 net

## VISITS AT THE SHOPS ALESSANDRO CELLAI VISIT

Alessandro Cellai, the winemaker for three notable properties in Italy—Castellare, Rocca di Frassinello, and Feudi del Pisciotto—will be in the shops on Saturday, March 8th to introduce the new wines of Feudi del Pisciotto and Rocca di Frassinello. He is a marvelous educator, and the wines are truly stellar.

### 2011 Feudi del Pisciotto Frappato

Sicilia 30.00 24.90VS

### 2009 Feudi del Pisciotto Cerasuolo di Vittoria

Sicilia 30.00 24.90VS

### 2011 Feudi del Pisciotto Nero d'Avola

Sicilia 30.00 24.90VS

### 2010 Rocca di Frassinello "Poggio alla Guardia"

Maremma Toscana 20.00 16.60VS

### 2010 Rocca di Frassinello "Le Sughere"

Maremma Toscana 27.00 22.41VS

### 2011 Rocca di Frassinello

Maremma Toscana 50.00 41.50VS

Taste a selection of these wines on Saturday,

March 8th at both shops from 11AM-5PM

Alessandro Cellai will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM  
and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM

## VISITS AT THE SHOPS BUTY

Nina Buty has just offered for sale three new wines that showcase the purity of fruit from their two main vineyard sources—Rockgarden Estate and Conner Lee Vineyard. The 2013 Buty Rosé of the Stones comes from their estate vineyard in the rocks of Walla Walla.

### 2013 Buty Rosé of the Stones 'Rockgarden Estate'

Walla Walla Valley 25.00 20.75VS

### 2012 Buty Red 'Conner Lee Vineyard'

Columbia Valley 45.00 37.35VS

### 2011 Buty Red 'Rediviva of the Stones'

Walla Walla Valley 60.00 49.80VS

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March 15th at both shops from 11AM-5PM

Nina Buty will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM

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## GIUSEPPE NADA - PIEMONTE

The vineyards of Giuseppe Nada are located in Treiso, one of four villages in the Barbaresco D.O.C.G. zone. The estate vineyards cover nearly 22 acres and include the well known crus of Casot and Marcarini, two of the oldest and most prized vineyards in Treiso.

### 2011 Nada Dolcetto d'Alba

'Casot' 12.00 9.96VS

### 2009 Nada Barbera d'Alba

Superiore 13.00 10.79VS

### 2010 Nada Nebbiolo

Langhe 15.00 12.45VS

### 2010 Nada Barbaresco

'Casot' 30.00 24.90VS

### 2008 Nada Barbaresco Riserva

'Casot' 40.00 33.20VS

Taste these wines on Saturday,

March 29th at both shops from 11AM-5PM

Giuseppe Nada will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM

and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM

## TASTE WASHINGTON

March 29 & 30

TICKETS ON SALE AT BOTH SHOPS

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.

## 2011 GUARDIAN 'THE INFORMANT'

The 2011 Guardian Syrah 'The Informant' is a powerful blend of 97% Syrah and 3% Viognier from Stonetree Vineyard on the Wahluke Slope. It has a smokey aroma of cassis and red currants, and it marries well with many Mexican dishes. Winemaker Jerry Reiner aged this wine for 17 months in wood before releasing it for sale. His style is familiar to many who like big wines.

### 2011 Guardian Syrah 'The Informant'

Wahluke Slope 30.00 24.90VS

## 2013 ROSÉS

There is a buzz in the industry about 2013 dry rosés, with early tastings showing great quality. A few trusted importer representatives have said that it is one of these best vintages for rosé wines in recent memory. We will try to bring in as much as possible, but we expect these wines to disappear quickly. It may seem early to be purchasing rosé wines, but this is a year to stash a supply.

### 2013 Hogwash Rosé

California 13.00 10.79VS

### 2013 Domaine Sorin Rosé 'Terra Amata'

Côtes de Provence 12.00 9.96VS

### 2013 Saint-Roch Les Vignes Rosé

Côtes de Provence 15.00 12.45VS

### 2013 Domaine de la Fouquette 'Cuvée Rosée d'Aurore'

Côtes de Provence 18.00 14.94VS

## FEATURED WINES: TRANCHE CELLARS

Tranche Cellars is releasing a new series of great values in March. The newest version of their rosé is now available, as well as three exciting new whites. The 2011 Tranche Chardonnay is one of the best we have tasted from Washington.

### 2013 Tranche Cellars Pink Pape Rosé

'Blackrock Vineyard' 16.00 13.28VS

### 2012 Tranche Cellars Pinot Gris

Columbia Valley 18.00 14.94VS

### 2011 Tranche Cellars Slice of Pape White

Columbia Valley 30.00 24.90VS

### 2011 Tranche Cellars Chardonnay

'Celilo Vineyard' 45.00 37.35VS

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March 22nd at both shops from 11AM-5PM

## 2011 TWO VINTNERS SYRAHS

Two new Two Vintners Syrahs are available and they couldn't be more different in style. The 2011 Two Vintners Syrah 'Stoney Vine Vineyard' has the creamy texture and rich mouthfeel that wines from the rocks in Walla Walla all possess. The 2012 Two Vintners Syrah 'May's Discovery Vineyard' shows a much more powerful style, having lots of black pepper, licorice, and cassis flavors. These both show the talented winemaking of Morgan Lee, and while they are big, full wines, they have an elegance that is his hallmark. Try these with braised lamb or veal shanks.

### 2011 Two Vintners Syrah 'Stoney Vine Vineyard'

Walla Walla Valley 35.00 29.05VS

### 2011 Two Vintners Syrah 'May's Discovery Vineyard'

Horse Heaven Hills 35.00 29.05VS

## 2012 PINOT NOIRS

With so much great wine available it is difficult to envision a time when items will be scarce. But the supply of Pinot Noir has taken hits in Oregon, California, and Burgundy over the last few vintages. This occurs just as demand for Pinot Noir is soaring. We strongly suggest that you buffer the cellar with a supply of 2012 Pinot Noirs for future holidays.

### 2012 A to Z Pinot Noir

Oregon 20.00 16.60VS

### 2012 Planet Oregon Pinot Noir

Oregon 20.00 16.60VS

### 2012 Savage Grace Pinot Noir 'Underwood Mountain'

Columbia Gorge 25.00 20.75VS

### 2012 Elk Cove Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley 27.00 22.41VS

### 2012 St. Innocent Pinot Noir 'Villages Cuvée'

Willamette Valley 27.00 22.41VS

### 2012 Ken Wright Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley 30.00 24.90VS

### 2012 Broadley Pinot Noir Estate

Willamette Valley 30.00 24.90VS

### 2012 Failla Pinot Noir

Sonoma Coast 36.00 29.88VS

### 2012 Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir

Dundee Hills Estate 42.00 34.86VS

### 2012 Bergström Pinot Noir 'Shea Vineyard'

Yamhill Carlton 55.00 45.65VS

### 2012 Harper Voit Pinot Noir 'Huntington Hill'

Willamette Valley (Limited) 58.00 48.14VS

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**BREZO DE GRÉGORY**

An exciting set of Spanish wines from the José Pastor Selections portfolio are the Brezo wines of Grégory Pérez. Grégory Pérez studied enology at the University of Bordeaux, did internships at estates in Bordeaux, and then followed his passion to the hills of Bierzo, a region comprised of gentle rolling hills and rugged mountains. He is a purist who prefers to use large foudre rather than the popular barriques to age his wines. The 2011 Brezo de Grégory Pérez Godello y Doña Blanca, a blend of 80% Godello and 20% of the rare Doña Blanca, shows wonderful citrus notes, and a crisp dry flavor that is perfect for tapas. The 2012 Brezo de Grégory Pérez Mencía shows bold fruit flavors of boysenberry and blood orange. The lack of oak taste makes this a great red for seafood stews and chicken casseroles.

<b>2011 Brezo de Grégory Pérez Godello y Doña Blanca</b>		
<i>Bierzo</i>	19.00	15.77VS
<b>2012 Brezo de Grégory Pérez Mencía</b>		
<i>Bierzo</i>	17.00	14.11VS

**THEME-LESS WINES**

Every now and then we taste a range of fun, tasty wines that just don't follow any pattern or theme. But we can say that each wine here is exceptional in its price to quality ratio.

<b>Whites</b>		
<b>2012 Jean Perrier Apremont</b>		
<i>Savoie</i>	13.00	10.79VS
<b>2012 Colle Stefano Verdicchio</b>		
<i>Matelica</i>	14.00	11.62VS
<b>2012 Domaine des Gandines Mâcon-Péronne</b>		
	17.00	14.11VS
<b>2012 François Chidaine Montlouis sur Loire</b>		
<i>'Clos du Breuil'</i>	30.00	24.90VS
<b>Reds</b>		
<b>2010 Château Roc de Ségur</b>		
<i>Bordeaux</i>	10.00	8.30VS
<b>2012 Domaine les Ondines Vacqueyras</b>		
	20.00	16.60VS
<b>2012 Vieux Clocher Gigondas</b>		
<i>'Nobles Terrasses'</i>	20.00	16.60VS
<b>2009 Château Meyney</b>		
<i>Saint-Estèphe</i>	47.00	39.01VS
<b>Champagne Pol Roger Extra Cuvée de Réserve</b>		
<i>Epernay</i>	55.00	45.65VS

**CHÂTEAU PÉGAU**

Laurence and Paul Féraud of Domaine Pégaü purchased a 100 acre estate located in Sorgues which they now call Château Pegau. Less than four miles from Châteauneuf-du-Pape, the vineyard is planted in deep, clay soils covered with the famous round galet stones of the Chateauneuf-du-Pape region. The 2012 Château Pegau Côtes-du-Rhône Blanc is a crisp and spicy blend of 40% Clairette, 30% Bourboulenc, 20% Grenache, and 10% Ugni Blanc. It has an appealing aroma of honeysuckle and acacia flower with a zest stone fruit flavor. The 2012 Château Pégaü Côtes-du-Rhône-Villages is a blend of 60% Grenache, 25% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre, and 5% Cinsault that shows a white pepper and raspberry aroma, with good body and weight on the palate. It is a classic for leg of lamb with couscous.

<b>2012 Château Pégaü Côtes-du-Rhône Blanc</b>		
<i>'Cuvée Lône'</i>	20.00	16.60VS
<b>2012 Château Pégaü Côtes-du-Rhône</b>		
<i>'Cuvée Maclaura'</i>	20.00	16.60VS

**SHAFFER NAPA VALLEY**

Shafer Vineyards was created in 1972 when John Shafer left his career in the publishing industry and moved to the Napa Valley to work in the wine business. He purchased 210 acre estate in the Stags Leap District. Their vineyard acreage is currently 50 acres, with parcels in the Oak Knoll, Stags Leap, and Carneros districts. Winemaker Elias Fernandez crafts wines that are rich and full. We recently tasted the range of their wines and were impressed by their elegance.

<b>2012 Shafer Chardonnay 'Red Shoulder Ranch'</b>		
<i>Napa Valley Carneros</i>	52.00	43.16VS
<b>2011 Shafer Merlot</b>		
<i>Napa Valley</i>	56.00	46.48VS
<b>2011 Shafer Cabernet Sauvignon 'One Point Five'</b>		
<i>Stags Leap District</i>	81.00	67.23VS

**2012 BIOTITE VINHO VERDE**

Biotite is the name of the iron-rich stones found in the soil of the vineyards where great bottlings of Vinho Verde are produced. The quartz-like stone reflects heat and light back to the vines. The 2012 António Lopez Biotite is a crisp and mineral white that is ideal with freshly shucked oysters. It is quite amazing to taste this wine as it seems like the best of dry Riesling, Grüner Veltliner, and Sancerre combined.

<b>2012 António Lopes Biotite</b>		
<i>Vinho Verde</i>	14.00	11.62VS

**Queen Anne Hours**  
**Tuesday-Friday 11-7**  
**Saturday 10-6**  
*Closed Sunday & Monday*

**Ravenna Hours**  
**Tuesday-Friday 10:30-6:30**  
**Saturday 10-6**  
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**Order Form**

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Just complete this order form and mail it in with your check or credit card #.

We will call or e-mail you when the wines arrive.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Mastercard, Visa or American Express discount is 15%)

Check Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ Pick-up at Ravenna QueenAnne

Qty	Wine/ Producer	Retail	V.S.	Ext
Subtotal _____		9.5% Sales tax _____		Total _____

**TASTINGS AT BOTH SHOPS**

**Saturday March 8th 11AM-5PM free**  
Rocca di Frassinello

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Tranche Cellars

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Giuseppe Nada Piemontese Wines

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**VERY LIMITED QUANTITIES**

**2012 Bedrock Zinfandel 'Old Vine'**

Sonoma Valley 30.00 24.90VS

**2012 Robert Biale Zinfandel 'Black Chicken'**

Napa Valley 45.00 37.35VS

**2011 Chandon des Briailles Pernand Vergelesses Blanc**

'Ile des Vergelesses' 60.00 49.80VS

**2011 Chandon des Briailles Pernand Vergelesses Rouge**

'Ile des Vergelesses' 60.00 49.80VS

**2011 Gramercy Cellars Red 'Southern Blend'**

Columbia Valley 30.00 24.90VS

2011 Rene Rostaing Cote Roties are available - please inquire.