

# OCTOBER, 2014

## VISITS AT THE SHOPS MARK RYAN

The 2012 Mark Ryan Syrah 'Lost Soul' is pure Syrah from the Red Willow Vineyard in Yakima Valley, with a bouquet of game and minerals. The 2012 Mark Ryan Red 'Long Haul' is a blend of 49% Merlot, 44% Cabernet Franc, 6% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 1% Petit Verdot. It is their "right bank" blend featuring the tobacco leaf and red fruits of Merlot and Cabernet Franc. The 2012 Mark Ryan Cabernet Sauvignon 'Dead Horse' is made with 82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Petit Verdot. This is a powerful red that shows a currant and blackberry fruit profile.

<b>2012 Mark Ryan Syrah 'Lost Soul'</b>		
Yakima Valley	48.00	39.84VS
<b>2012 Mark Ryan Red 'Long Haul'</b>		
Red Mountain	50.00	41.50VS
<b>2012 Mark Ryan Cabernet Sauvignon 'Dead Horse'</b>		
Red Mountain	55.00	45.65VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,*

*October 25th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

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

## GRAMERCY CELLARS

Master Sommelier and winemaker Greg Harrington will visit the shops on Saturday, November 1st to sample his newest wines. These are some of Washington's finest reds.

<b>2012 Gramercy Cellars Red 'Southern Blend'</b>		
Columbia Valley	33.00	27.39VS
<b>2012 Gramercy Cellars Red 'The Third Man'</b>		
Columbia Valley	46.00	38.18VS
<b>2012 Gramercy Cellars Syrah</b>		
Columbia Valley	43.00	35.69VS
<b>2012 Gramercy Cellars Syrah 'The Deuce'</b>		
Walla Walla Valley	59.00	48.97VS

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## VISITS AT THE SHOPS ANDREW WILL

Two 2011 Andrew Will reds will be released in October and they are among the finest ever from winemaker Chris Camarda. Chris will be at both shops to sample these wines on Saturday, October 18th. Come in and meet Chris, discuss the wines, and have him sign some bottles. These make superior holiday gifts.

<b>2011 Andrew Will Red 'Two Blondes'</b>		
Yakima Valley	65.00	53.95VS
<b>2010 Andrew Will Red 'Ciel du Cheval'</b>		
Red Mountain	61.00	50.63VS
<b>2011 Andrew Will Red 'Champoux Vineyard'</b>		
Horse Heaven Hills	76.00	63.08VS
<b>2010 Andrew Will Red 'Sorella'</b>		
Horse Heaven Hills	76.00	63.08VS

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*October 18th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

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## JEANNE MARIE DE CHAMPS

Exporter Jeanne Marie de Champs of the Domaines et Saveurs Collection will be at the shops on Saturday, October 4th to sample a selection of new French Burgundies.

<b>2013 Domaine Gerard Tremblay Chablis</b>		
	20.00	16.60VS
<b>2012 Domaine Gerard Tremblay Chablis 1<sup>er</sup> Cru</b>		
'Montmains'	28.00	23.24VS
<b>2011 Domaine Lafouge Auxey Durresses Blanc</b>		
'Les Boutonniers'	40.00	33.20VS
<b>2011 Domaine Lafouge Auxey Durresses Rouge</b>		
	37.00	30.71VS
<b>2012 Domaine René Leclerc Bourgogne Rouge</b>		
	32.00	26.56VS
<b>2012 Domaine René Leclerc Gevrey-Chambertin</b>		
	55.00	45.65VS

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*Jeanne Marie de Champs will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM  
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*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 DOMAINE DROUHIN 'LAURÈNE'

The 2011 Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir 'Laurène', crafted by our long time friend Veronique Drouhin, shows what a beautifully balanced wine with near perfect texture could be made by a skilled hand in a vintage that for many inexperienced Oregon winemakers has been labeled 'challenging'. Having a ruby-purple color and an aroma of currants and blackberries, this is an absolutely gorgeous Oregon Pinot Noir, with precise tannins, and lovely red and black fruit flavors.

### 2011 Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir 'Laurène'

Dundee Hills (Limited) 65.00 53.95VS

## 2012 PROPER SYRAH

Proper Wines come from their estate vineyard "in the rocks" of Walla Walla Valley. The vines planted in 2007 have begun to offer mature fruit. The 2012 Proper Syrah shows the typical earthy aromas—minerals, smoked game, and orange peel notes. It is a big wine with a cherries-in-cream fruit profile—truly properly made!

### 2012 Proper Syrah

Walla Walla Valley 45.00 37.35VS

## ABEJA

Two new Abeja wines from Walla Walla are being released this month, and the supply is limited.

### 2013 Abeja Chardonnay

Washington State 38.00 31.54VS

### 2012 Abeja Merlot

Columbia Valley 43.00 35.69VS

## 2012 MULLAN ROAD CELLARS

Mullan Road was the first wagon road across the Rocky Mountains to the Inland of the Pacific Northwest, built by US Army Lieutenant John Mullan between the Spring of 1859 and Summer 1860. Dennis Cakebread of Napa Valley fame has named his first wine from Washington State after this famous roadway. The 2012 Mullan Road Red is a Bordeaux-style blend made with Seven Hills Vineyard fruit.

### 2012 Mullan Road Cellars Red

Columbia Valley 43.00 35.69VS

## THE WAYMAKER RED

A great value from Paso Robles is the 2012 Beringer Red 'The Waymaker', a delightful blend of Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon.

### 2012 Beringer Red 'The Waymaker'

Paso Robles 19.00 15.77VS

## 2013 CHINOOK WHITES

Cool weather in the second half of September 2013 tamed what was one of the warmest seasons on record in the Yakima Valley. The resulting grapes took longer to develop and have more complexity due to the added time on the vines. The 2013 Chinook whites show this with their zesty, citrusy style. The 2013 Chinook Semillon has faint notes of fig and melon. The 2013 Chinook Sauvignon Blanc combines five clones of Sauvignon and has a spicy, lemony nature that works exceptionally well with shellfish. The 2013 Chinook Chardonnay has tropical notes and a touch of oak, but it has good acidity to keep it refreshing.

### 2013 Chinook Semillon

Yakima Valley 17.00 14.11VS

### 2013 Chinook Sauvignon Blanc

Yakima Valley 19.00 15.77VS

### 2013 Chinook Chardonnay

Yakima Valley 20.00 16.60VS

## 2010 GAMACHE MALBEC

The 2010 Gamache Vintners Malbec has many of the nuances of a fine Malbec from Cahors or from the Uco Valley in Argentina. It is 100% varietal from their estate vineyards, and is aged in a blend of French and American oak. Try this with a lime, pepper, and cilantro marinated skirt steak.

### 2010 Gamache Vintners Malbec Estate

Columbia Valley 28.00 23.24VS

## 2013 WALTER SCOTT PINOT NOIR

Wow! It is only harvest time and the 2013 Walter Scott Pinot Noir 'La Combe Verte' has already been released. The demand for quality Oregon Pinot Noir is at an all time high. It has a big aroma of red cherry and red currant, with spicy, bright acidity that makes it perfect for serving with salmon.

### 2013 Walter Scott Pinot Noir 'La Combe Verte'

Willamette Valley 28.00 23.24VS

## FONSECA BIN 27

Fonseca produces its Bin 27 primarily with grapes from its own quintas in the Cima Corgo. It is a ruby-style Port blended from Touriga Nacional, Touriga Franca, Tinta Barroca, Tinta Roriz, and Tinto Cão. Bin 27 is aged for four years in neutral barrels before bottling.

### Fonseca Bin 27

Porto 14.99 net

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## 2012 CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

2012 was a sunny, dry vintage, similar to 2009 in quality. Lighter in style than 2010, the wines show dark fruit and mineral-rich aromatics. They are medium to full-bodied with richness and good concentration.

<b>2012 Château Fortia Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b> 'Cuvée du Baron'	39.00	32.37VS
<b>2012 Château Sixtine Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b> 'Manus Dei'	45.00	37.35VS
<b>2012 Clos des Brusquières Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b>	45.00	37.35VS
<b>2012 Domaine La Consonnière Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b>	48.00	39.84VS
<b>2012 Olivier Hillaire Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b>	55.00	45.65VS
<b>2012 Pierre Usseglio Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b> 'Cuvée'	55.00	45.65VS
<b>2012 Le Vieux Donjon Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b>	70.00	58.10VS
<b>2012 Vieux Télégraphe Châteauneuf-du-Pape</b>	85.00	70.55VS

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## CHAMPAGNE MARIE-COURTIN

Named after her grandmother, Marie Courtin, the estate run by Dominique Moreau is located in the village of Polisot in Cote des Bar. She makes her 'Résonance' cuvée entirely with Pinot Noir from 35-40 year old vines off a single vineyard. There is no dosage added upon disgorgement.

<b>Champagne Marie-Courtin Extra Brut</b> 'Résonance'	50.00	41.50VS
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## 2013 LAPIERRE MORGON

A member of the now famous 'Gang of Four', Marcel Lapiere was one of the first to return to natural winemaking using traditional techniques in a region known for mass produced wines. The 2013 M. Lapiere Morgon is made with Gamay grapes grown in poor, acidic soils. The wine has a bold aroma of violets and black cherries, with lovely pure Gamay fruit. The tannins are soft, giving the wine an almost Pinot Noir-like quality. This is a fantastic wine to have with roast chicken.

<b>2013 M. Lapiere Morgon</b>	30.00	24.90VS
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## 2010 BAROLO

2010 Barolos are delightful to taste even at this early stage of their development. The tannins are fine, and there is a bundle of rose petal scents in each bottle.

<b>2010 Renato Corino Barolo DOCG</b>	40.00	33.20VS
<b>2010 Vajra Barolo DOCG</b> 'Arte'	40.00	33.20VS
<b>2010 Renato Ratti Barolo DOCG</b> 'Marcesasco'	46.00	38.18VS
<b>2010 Vietti Barolo DOCG</b> 'Castiglione'	50.00	41.50VS
<b>2010 Schiavenza Barolo DOCG</b> 'Cerretta'	55.00	45.65VS
<b>2010 Pio Cesare Barolo DOCG</b>	65.00	53.95VS

## 2010 CORTE ALLA FLORA

The Cragnotti family purchased 90 hectare of land in Montepulciano in the early 1990s, establishing the Corte alla Flora estate. They planted over 35 hectare to vineyards, ranking them among the top ten producers in Montepulciano. The soils are clay and calcareous. The principal variety is Prugnolo Gentile, a local clone of Sangiovese, and they have experimental plantings of the indigenous Pugnietello, named for the shape of its clusters that look like little fists.

<b>2010 Corte alla Flora Rosso 'Podere Giuggiolo'</b> Toscana	12.00	9.96VS
<b>2010 Corte alla Flora 'Loggiato'</b> Toscana	22.00	18.26VS
<b>2010 Corte alla Flora Pugnietello</b> Toscana	30.00	24.90VS

## 2013 IL LUGNANA

Andrea Pasini founded his winery in 1958 on the southern shores of Lake Garda, and it is still family-owned today. Forty hectare of vineyards are located in the Valtènesi area and in Lugana. There 2013 Pasini 'Il Lugana' has an aroma of white plums, apricots, elderberries, and herbs. It has racy acidity and a bold fruit flavor, making it excellent with Northwest seafoods.

<b>2013 San Giovanni 'Il Lugana'</b>	20.00	16.60VS
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**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



