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WINE MERCHANTS, INC.

VINTAGE SELECT BUYERS' CLUB NEWSLETTER

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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2015!

We would like to take a moment to thank you for your business in 2014. With all the changes in the wine trade during the last year, your support has allowed us to continue to provide great wines and events. We look forward to an exciting year in 2015. Thanks from all our staff.

FÊTE DU BORDEAUX DINNER & TASTING

Monday, January 19th - 6PM
Columbia Tower Club, Seattle

Guests of Honor

Jean-Charles Cazes – Château Lynch-Bages
& Château Ormes de Pez

Lilian Barton-Sartorius – Château Léoville-Barton
& Château Langoa-Barton

Hortense Idoine Manoncourt – Château Figeac
& Petit Figeac

Reception

Champagne Nicolas Feuillatte Brut

Wines

Blanc de Lynch-Bages 2013

Petit Figeac 2012 – Saint-Emilion

Château Ormes de Pez 2012 – Saint-Estèphe

Château Langoa-Barton 2012 – Saint-Julien

Château Lynch-Bages 2012 – Pauillac

Château Léoville-Barton 2012 – Saint-Julien

Château Montrose 2012 – Saint-Emilion

Château Lynch-Bages 2005 – Pauillac

Château Langoa-Barton 2005 – Saint-Julien

Château Figeac 2009 – Saint-Emilion

Château Léoville-Barton 1999 – Saint-Julien

Château Lynch-Bages 1995 – Pauillac

Château Figeac 2003 – Saint-Estèphe

Château Suduiraut 2004 – Sauternes

\$175 per person plus tax & gratuity = \$235 inclusive

Credit card reservations required

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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 emailed this monthly newsletter which details 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

EIGHT BELLS REDS

The 2012 Eight Bells Red 'Old Salt' is a blend of 69% Sangiovese, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Malbec, all from Red Willow Vineyard that is Super-Tuscan in style. The 2012 Eight Bells Syrah '8 Clones' is 95% Syrah, 4% Viognier, and 1% Grenache from the clonal block of Red Willow Vineyard planted in 2005. The 2011 Eight Bells Cabernet Sauvignon 'Barrel Select' is made with 82% Cabernet Sauvignon and 18% Cabernet Franc from Ambassador Vineyard on Red Mountain. Come in and taste these new wines on Saturday, January 10th at both shops.

2012 Eight Bells Red 'Old Salt' 'Red Willow Vineyard'

Yakima Valley 28.00 23.24VS

2012 Eight Bells Syrah '8 Clones'

Yakima Valley 32.00 26.56VS

2011 Eight Bells Cabernet Sauvignon 'Barrel Select'

Red Mountain 35.00 29.05VS

Taste these wines on Saturday,

January 10th at both shops from 11AM-5PM

Frank Michiels will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM

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

DELILLE CELLARS & UPCHURCH

Come in and taste the new wines from DeLille Cellars and Chris Upchurch on Saturday, January 17th at both shops. Jay Soloff, co-founder of DeLille Cellars, will be at the shops to answer questions and discuss these wines.

2013 DeLille Cellars Blanc 'Chaleur Estate'

Columbia Valley 38.00 31.54VS

2012 DeLille Cellars Red 'D2'

Columbia Valley 45.00 37.35VS

2012 DeLille Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon 'Four Flags'

Red Mountain 68.00 56.44VS

2012 Upchurch Cabernet Sauvignon

Red Mountain 60.00 49.80VS

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2013 M&S PINOT NOIR

The 2013 McCarthy & Schiering Pinot Noir is our first joint project with Morgan Broadley of Broadley Vineyards. The fruit is mostly from their estate vineyards, including South Block and Morgan's Block (Jessica) and it has the signature depth and richness of Broadley Pinot Noir.

2013 McCarthy & Schiering Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley 22.95 net

WINE OF THE MONTH 2013 PALLAVICINI FRASCATI

A blend of 50% Malvasia di Candia, 20% Malvasia del Lazio, 20% Greco & Grechetto, and 10% Trebbiano Toscano, the 2013 Principe Pallavicini Frascati Superiore 'Poggio Verde' is a 2015 Gambero Rosso 'Tre Bicchieri' (three glasses) winner—very high praise for a wine that retails for \$16. This is a great wine to sip with seafood stews or oyster bisque. The wonderful aromatics remind one of citrus blossoms and white flowers. There is cleansing acidity and a lasting finish—clearly not the image most people have of Frascati!

2013 Principe Pallavicini Frascati Superiore

'Poggio Verde' 16.00 13.28VS

FEATURED WINES: ONTAÑÓN RIOJA

With more than 620 acres of vineyard land, high in the Sierra Yerga Mountains of Rioja Baja, Bodegas Ontañón has plenty of fruit from which they can select the best for their Reserva wines. The 2011 Bodegas Ontañón Crianza has a bold raspberry aroma, and lots of youthful Tempranillo character. The 2005 Bodegas Ontañón Reserva shows more complex and subtle earthy notes. The 2005 Bodegas Ontañón Gran Reserva has a near perfect texture and is a great wine to serve with roast chicken.

2011 Ontañón Crianza

Rioja 13.00 10.79VS

2005 Ontañón Reserva

Rioja 22.00 18.26VS

2005 Ontañón Gran Reserva

Rioja 35.00 29.05VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,
January 3rd at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

2013 KEN WRIGHT PINOT NOIRS

The 2013 Ken Wright Pinot Noir Willamette Valley is a blend of their traditional sites, with fruit from Abbott Claim, Canary Hill, Carter, Freedom Hill, Guadalupe, McCrone, Meredith Mitchell, Nysa and Savoya Vineyards. It is a solid value. We have access to the 2013 Ken Wright Pinot Noir 'Single Vineyards' at the introductory price of \$55. Beginning March 1st, the price goes up on these superb wines. Come in and sample a selection of these rich and delicious gems with Asa Sarver from the winery, on Saturday, January 24th at both shops.

2013 Ken Wright Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley 30.00 24.90VS

2013 Ken Wright Pinot Noir 'Single Vineyards'

Willamette Valley 55.00 45.65VS

Single vineyards include Abbott Claim, Bonnie Jean, Bryce, Canary Hill, Carter, Freedom Hill, Guadalupe, Shea, Savoya, and Tanager

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2013 DOMAINE DROUHIN PINOT NOIR

The 2013 Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir has just been released and it is youthful with an aroma of freshly crushed cherries with a hint of mint. The wine has a lovely texture that is perfect with salmon.

2013 Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir

Dundee Hills 42.00 34.86VS

2012 ROBERT RAMSAY REDS

Bob Harris has ramped up the purity of his Robert Ramsay reds in the 2012 vintage. The wines have always been tasty, but these 2012 reds are adding bright and well defined fruit flavors to already richly textured wines. The 2012 Robert Ramsay Mason's Red is a Languedoc-styled blend of 48% Cinsault, 26% Syrah, 15% Mourvèdre, and 11% Counoise with a bold aroma of black currants and a great length of flavor for a \$18 wine.

2012 Robert Ramsay Mason's Red

Columbia Valley 18.00 14.94VS

2012 Robert Ramsay Grenache 'Upland Vineyard'

Snipes Mountain 32.00 26.56VS

2012 Robert Ramsay Cinsault 'McKinley Springs'

Horse Heaven Hills 32.00 26.56VS

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2012 RED BURGUNDIES

The supply of red Burgundy is dwindling due to short vintages, with prices climbing and supplies vanishing on arrival. Now is the time to bolster the cellar with a stash of 2012 reds.

2012 Maurice Ecard Bourgogne Rouge Pinot Noir	20.00	16.60VS
2012 Chauvenet-Chopin Bourgogne Rouge	23.00	19.09VS
2012 François Raquillet Bourgogne Pinot Noir	23.00	19.09VS
2012 Domaine René Leclerc Bourgogne Pinot Noir	32.00	26.56VS
2012 Domaine Parent Bourgogne Pinot Noir	32.00	26.56VS

OYSTER WINES

Just in time for the “r” months—those months when oysters are at their best—there are great whites for bivalve-loving souls. The 2012 Bruno Comerais Muscadet ‘Chambaudière’ is a steal at its price—racy and clean with big flavor. The 2013 Berthier Sauvignon Blanc is crisp and delicious. The 2013 Luneau Papin Muscadet ‘Clos des Allées’ has all the citrus one could ask for with an oyster. The 2013 Thomas Labaille Sancerre ‘Les Monts Damnés’ has a generous amount of salty Sauvignon Blanc that also works well.

2012 Bruno Comerais Muscadet ‘Chambaudière’	14.00	11.62VS
2013 Berthier Sauvignon Blanc Côteaux des Giennois	16.00	13.28VS
2013 Luneau Papin Muscadet Vieilles Vignes ‘Clos des Allées’ (Limited)	21.00	17.43VS
2013 Thomas Labaille Sancerre ‘Les Monts Damnés’ (Limited)	27.00	22.41VS

2013 JEAN ROYER ‘LE PETIT ROY’

More and more, winemakers are choosing to de-classify their wines to the most generic category—Vin de France. The 2013 cuvée of Jean Royer ‘Le Petit Roy’ is 90% Grenache and 10% Syrah and is vinified in the same manner as his Châteauneuf-du-Pape, but isn’t aged. The aroma shows crushed raspberry, cherry, and plum. The palate shows the deep Grenache flavors—raspberry and black cherry, with a faintly earthy tone. This is a great wine for wintery nights.

2013 Jean Royer Rouge ‘Le Petit Roy’ Vin de France	20.00	16.60VS
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2010 BAROLO

The 2010 growing season in Barolo was one of the longest ever, and this combined with ideal temperatures during the evenings, gave growers the opportunity to harvest near-perfect fruit. The best wines combine the floral qualities of the 2004 vintage along with the power of 2006’s, and the firm acid structure of 2008’s. They will age for a long time, but show well now.

2010 G. B. Burlotto Barolo Piemonte (Limited)	45.00	37.35VS
2010 Vietti Barolo ‘Castiglione’	50.00	41.50VS
2010 Guido Porro Barolo ‘Santa Caterina’	53.00	43.99VS
2010 Paolo Scavino Barolo Piemonte (Limited)	39.95	net
2010 G.D. Vajra Barolo ‘Ravera’ (Limited)	60.00	49.80VS
2010 M. Marengo Barolo ‘Brunate’	77.00	63.91VS
2010 Renato Ratti Barolo ‘Conca’	79.00	65.57VS

Taste a selection of these wines on Saturday, January 31st at both shops from 11AM-5PM

WEINHAUS HEGER

Located on the Kaiserstuhl in the south-western tip of Germany, Weingut Dr. Heger and Weinhaus Heger specialize in dry wines from the Baden region. Joachim and Silvia Heger own 21 hectare of vineyards from which they produce estate wines under the Dr. Heger label, and Weinhaus Heger is the label for purchased fruit. They ferment the majority of their wines in neutral oak barrels. The wines are fresh and energetic, with great depth and character. The 2013 Weinhaus Heger Pinot Gris is dry and more food-friendly than most domestic versions. The 2013 Weinhaus Heger Pinot Blanc is tremendous—great spice and quince notes in the aroma, and pleasingly crisp on the palate. Try the 2012 Weinhaus Heger Pinot Noir in the liter bottle for a great value.

2013 Weinhaus Heger Pinot Gris Kaiserstuhl	22.00	18.26VS
2013 Weinhaus Heger Pinot Blanc Kaiserstuhl	22.00	18.26VS
2012 Weinhaus Heger Pinot Noir Kaiserstuhl 1.0 Liter	20.00	16.60VS

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



