# February, 2015

#### TASTINGS AT THE SHOPS Eyrie turns 50

In the winter of 1965, 25-year old David Lett moved to Oregon with 3,000 grape cuttings and a theory. Now 50 years later his theory is an industry and his work has become legendary. The Eyrie Vineyards will celebrate its 50th birthday in February, and to honor this great success, we will sample a selection of their current releases with assistant winemaker, Russ Margach, and taste the flavors that are now iconic for Oregon, but didn't exist when David Lett first had his vision.

2013 The Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Gris

Willamette Valley 20.0016.60VS

2012 The Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Gris 'Original Vines' Willamette Valley 35.00 29.05VS

2012 The Eyrie Vineyards Chardonnay

29.00 Willamette Valley 24.07VS

2012 The Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley 35.00 29.05VS

Taste these wines on Saturday,

February 28th at both shops from 11AM-5PM Russ Margach will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM

#### 2012 Avennia Reds

Three Bordeaux-style wines from Avennia are being released in February and they are 2012's to try! The 2012 Avennia Red 'Gravura' is spicy and round with hints of savory and sage. The 2012 Avennia Red 'Valery' makes its first appearance outside of their wine club, and it is delicious. Lots of mocha and black raspberry notes give it an elegant nature. The 2012 Avennia Red 'Sestina' is a powerfully deep red with fascinating character. The hints of black licorice and black cherry lead to a polished flavor of currants and cassis— a great bottle for the cellar.

#### 2012 Avennia Red 'Gravura'

2012 Homma Itta Gravara		
Columbia Valley	35.00	29.05VS
2012 Avennia Red 'Valery'		
Columbia Valley	45.00	37.35VS
2012 Avennia Red 'Sestina'		
Columbia Valley	60.00	49.80VS
Taste these wines on	Saturday,	

February 14th at both shops from 11AM-5PM Chris Peterson will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM

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

## Abbazia di Novicella

The Abbazia di Novacella is located in the northern-most winegrowing region on the southern side of the Alps. The mineral-rich soils, the elevation (1,970 ft – 2,950 ft), and the cool climate yield wines with intense aromas and flavors along with mouth-watering acidity. The Valle Isarco is known for the grape varieties of Sylvaner, Kerner, Gewürztraminer, and Veltliner. Come in and meet Becky Vuolo-Paglia the national sales manager for Abbazia di Novicella on Saturday February 21st and taste a selection of these great wines.

2013 Abbazia di Novicella Pinot	Grigio	
Valle Isarco Alto Adige	18.00	14.94VS
2013 Abbazia di Novicella Kerne	er	
Valle Isarco Alto Adige	18.00	14.94VS
2013 Abbazia di Novicella Gründ	er Veltliner	
$Valle\ Is arco\ Alto\ Adige$	18.00	14.94VS
2012 Abbazia di Novicella Pinot	Nero	
$Valle\ Is arco\ Alto\ Adige$	20.00	16.60VS
2010 Abbazia di Novicella Lagre	rin	
Valle Isarco Alto Adige	18.00	14.94VS
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## LEONETTI CELLAR - PRE-ARRIVAL

We are offering the new releases of Leonetti Cellar in February, prior to their release in March. Leonetti reds continue to deliver outstanding quality. At a recent tasting, these new vintages showed the complex tannin structures and subtle oak of these estate wines. The talented hand of winemaker Chris Figgins continues to assure that they are among the best wines made in Washington. Credit card payments are being accepted to guarantee your order.

Please confirm availability before sending payment.

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2012 Leonetti Cellar Sangiovese		
Walla Walla Valley	72.95	net
2013 Leonetti Cellar Merlot		
Walla Walla Valley	79.95	net
2012 Leonetti Cellar Cabernet S	auvignon	
Walla Walla Valley	99.95	net
2012 Leonetti Cellar Reserve		

Walla Walla Valley 149.95 net 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.

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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

## Featured Wines: 2013 Grüner Veltliner

2013 Glatzer Grüner Veltliner

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Terry Thiese describes the 2013 Austrian wines as follows: "I really can find no fault with them. They give me every single thing I could ever desire from Austrian wines. They are almost gushingly fragrant; they arrive like morning birds, trilling and alive. They're sappy, as though you could squeeze chlorophyll from them. They're driven by clarity, fruit and terroir. They're focused and full of substance. They have moderate alcohol! They're clean and hale and chipper, from the little wee ones in liters to the very great ones from the top sites. They are never self-important, never haughty. They cover you with mama-love, baby!" We are pretty sure he likes them!

Carnumtum	13.00	10.79VS
2013 Loimer Grüner Veltliner	Lois'	
Kamptal	15.00	12.45VS
2013 H&M Hofer Grüner Velt	liner	
Osterreich 1.0 Liter	15.00	12.45VS
2013 Gobelsburger Grüner Vel	tliner	
Kamptal	17.00	14.11VS
2013 Stadt Krems Grüner Veltl	liner	
Kremstal	17.00	14.11VS
2013 Hirsch Grüner Veltliner		
$Nieder\"{o}sterreich$	19.00	15.77VS
2013 Hiedler Grüner Veltliner	Löss'	
Osterreich	20.00	16.60VS
2013 Loimer Grüner Veltliner	'Langenlois'	

#### Susumaniello

And now for something really different, we bring you a little known red grape—Susumaniello. Susumaniello is an ancient variety which is grown in the province of Brindisi in southern Italy. The 2013 Tenute Rubino Susumaniello 'Oltremè' has a very distinctive aroma of fresh fig and plum. On the palate, it is round and plump, and it has the warm, ripe middle that is distinctively southern Italian. The 2012 Masseria Li Veli Susumaniello is a deep red wine, with an aroma featuring dried cherries and eucalyptus. It has a sanguine note that allows it to pair well with red meats.

2013 Tenute Rubino Susumaniello 'Oltremè'
Salento 14.00 11.62VS
2012 Masseria Li Veli Susumaniello
Salento 22.00 18.26VS

#### 2013 Château Tertre de Launay

Château Tertre de Launay is located in the commune of Soussac about 50 kilometres southeast of Bordeaux in the Entre-Deux-Mers. The 2013 Château Tertre de Launay is a zesty blend of 45% Sémillon, 35% Sauvignon, and 20% Muscadelle that has a faint waxy note from its Sémillon, and lots of grapefruit notes from its Sauvignon Blanc. This is a steal at its price, and it is a delicious wine to serve with scallop dishes.

2013 Château Tertre de Launay Blanc Entre-deux-Mers 12.00 9.96VS

## 2010 LAMOUROUX

The 2010 Lamouroux is technically the second wine of Château Rauzan-Ségla in the parish of Margaux. Everything about it resembles the classified Second Growth Rauzan-Ségla including the blend of 63% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Merlot, 2% Petit Verdot and 2% Cabernet Franc. The wine is matured in 60% new French oak for 18 months, and shows wonderful aromas of blackberry, cassis, and licorice. On the palate, a silky texture of long chain tannins gives the wine great appeal. This tastes like wines that cost three to four times the price.

2010 Lamouroux de Rauzan-Ségla Margaux 38.00 31.54VS

#### Ravenna Shop

Taste a selection of these wines on Saturday, February 7th at both shops from 11AM-5PM

23.00

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#### 2013 Italian Pinot Grigio

Although the 2013 vintage is Northeastern Italy presented many challenges for winemakers, the wines have vibrant acidity and plenty of character. The cool, wet weather seems to have helped create wines with plenty of citrus and stone fruit flavors.

2013 Benvolio Pinot Grigio						
Grave del Friuli	11.00	9.13VS				
2013 Fantinel Pinot Grigio 'Borgo Tesis'						
Grave del Friuli	13.00	10.79VS				
2013 Luna Nuda Pinot Grigio						
Dolomiti	13.00	10.79VS				
2013 Roena Pinot Grigio						
Valdadige	13.00	10.79VS				
2013 Alois Lageder Pinot Grigio						
Dolomiti	15.00	12.45VS				
2013 Scarpetta Pinot Grigio						
delle Venezie	18.00	14.94VS				
2013 Maso Poli Pinot Grigio						
Trentino	20.00	16.60VS				
2013 Tramin Pinot Grigio 'Unterebner'						
$Alto\ Adige$	31.00	25.73VS				

### 2013 BIOTITE VINHO VERDE

Casa de Mouraz was one of the first wineries in Portugal to embrace organic farming. They produce an exceptional Vinho Verde from a parcel of land composed of biotite soil. The 2013 Casa de Mouraz Vinho Verde 'Biotite' has a complex aroma of stone fruits and acacia blossoms. On the palate is shows bold grapefruit and citrus zest notes. There is a refreshing quality to this "green wine" that makes one want summer to come sooner!

2013 Casa de Mouraz 'Biotite'

Vinho Verde 14.00 11.62VS

## 2013 LAFON MÂCON-VILLAGES

The 2013 Les Héritiers du Comte Lafon Mâcon-Villages comes from two vineyards in the villages of Uchizy and Chardonnay. The wine is fermented in older barrels and left on its yeast for seven to eight months. This gives the wine its creamy texture and complex hazelnuts and butter aroma.

2013 Les Héritiers du Comte Lafon Mâcon-Villages Mâconnais (Limited) 27.00 22.41VS

#### CA' DEL BAIO

The Grasso family only farms estate vineyards in Treiso and Barbaresco, owning cru in Asili and Pora. Their wines are all extraordinary values when compared with competitive wines. The 2013 Ca'del Baio Chardonnay has lovely green apple and citrus notes. Their 2012 Ca' del Baio Dolcetto d'Alba has a wild strawberry aroma. The 2013 Ca' del Baio Barbera d'Alba is filled with red currant flavors. The 2013 Ca' del Baio Nebbiolo Langhe has a lovely dried rose aroma. The 2010 Ca'del Baio Barbaresco 'Pora' has a big aroma of plums and hazelnuts.

#### 2013 Ca' del Baio Chardonnay

Langhe	15.00	12.45VS
2012 Ca' del Baio Dolcetto d'Alba		
`Lodoli'	16.00	13.28VS
2013 Ca' del Baio Barbera d'Alba		
`Paolina'	16.00	13.28VS
2013 Ca' del Baio Nebbiolo		
Langhe	17.00	14.11VS
2010 Ca' del Baio Barbaresco		
'Pora'	55.00	45.65VS

#### 2012 Clos La Coutale Cahors

Cahors is known as the 'black wine' of southwest France—inky and earthy wines that complement the local fare, from duck to cassoulet. The 2012 Clos la Coutale Cahors is a blend of 80% Malbec and 20% Merlot, crafted by Philippe Bernède. He farms 60 hectare of clay and limestone soils on the alluvial terraces of the Lot River. The bold black cherry aroma is matched by a big flavor of currants and cassis. It is a hearty wine perfect for cool nights.

2012 Clos la Coutale

Cahors 17.00 14.11VS

## 2013 Lamblin Bourgogne Blanc

The 2013 Lamblin Bourgogne Blanc is made from grapes grown on the hillsides of the Yonne River, near Auxerre. These vineyards are outside the Chablis region, but have similar soil. A pale yellow color leads to an elegant, complex nose of white flowers with a touch of vanilla. There is a crispness to the wine, but it is rounder and richer than a Petit Chablis. It's a tremendous value.

2013 Lamblin Bourgogne Blanc

'Cépage Chardonnay' 14.00 11.62VS

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





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Saturday February 7th 11AM-5PM free A selection of 2013 Grüner Veltliners

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#### VERY LIMITED QUANTITIES

2012 Doubleback Cabernet Sauvignon Walla Walla Valley 91.95 net 2011 Dunn Cabernet Sauvignon 'Howell Mountain'

Napa Valley 91.95 net

2011 Spottswoode Cabernet Sauvignon 'Lyndenhurst' Napa Valley 75.00 *62.25VS* 

2012 DeLille Cellars Red 'Chaleur Estate'

Columbia Valley 80.00 66.40VS

2012 DeLille Cellars Red 'Harrison Hill'

Columbia Valley 95.00 78.85VS

2012 Roty Red Burgundies, 2013 DEux Montille, & Domaine de Montille Burgundies - please inquire.