

# OCTOBER, 2015

## McCARTHY & SCHIERING TURNS 35

At 10AM on October 10th, 2015, McCarthy & Schiering Wine Merchants will celebrate 35 years in business. We would like to thank all of you who have made our success possible, and to let you know that we truly appreciate your patronage. We are honored to be your wine merchants.

## 2010 BORDEAUX...GOING, GOING

In 1980, we began McCarthy & Schiering Wine Merchants as a retail shop specializing in Bordeaux, California, and German wines with a dash of Burgundy on the side. In honor of our origins, we will taste a selection of 2010 Bordeaux from producers we represented back in the day. Some are now the second labels, as the price of fine Bordeaux has escalated over 35 years. The supply of 2010 Bordeaux is beginning to dwindle, so take a moment to consider that future vintages will not have the same easy-to-enjoy style of the wonderful 2010's.

<b>2010 Château Marjosse</b>		
<i>Entre-deux-Mers</i>	23.00	19.09VS
<b>2010 Château Cap Léon Veyrin Cru Bourgeois</b>		
<i>Listrac-Médoc</i>	23.00	19.09VS
<b>2010 Château Beaumont Cru Bourgeois</b>		
<i>Haut-Médoc</i>	25.00	20.75VS
<b>2010 Château Bel-Air</b>		
<i>Pomerol</i>	35.00	29.05VS
<b>2010 Pavillon de Léoville-Poyferré</b>		
<i>Saint-Julien</i>	48.00	39.84VS
<b>2010 Le Petit Haut Lafitte</b>		
<i>Pessac-Léognan</i>	48.00	39.84VS
<b>2010 Château Poujeaux</b>		
<i>Moulis-en Médoc</i>	49.00	40.67VS
<b>2010 Château d'Angludet</b>		
<i>Margaux</i>	49.95	net
<b>2010 Pauillac de Lynch-Bages</b>		
<i>Pauillac</i>	52.00	43.16VS
<b>2010 Les Tourelles de Longueville</b>		
<i>Pauillac</i>	70.00	58.10VS

*Taste a selection of these wines on Saturday,  
October 10th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

## MARK RYAN REDS

The 2013 Mark Ryan Syrah 'Lost Soul' is 100% Syrah and you can taste the slight saline, game and mineral notes. The Mark Ryan Red 'Long Haul' is a blend of 51% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Franc, 8% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot that shows lots of wild blackberry. The 2013 Mark Ryan Cabernet Sauvignon 'Dead Horse' is a blend of 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot has an aroma of crushed violets and blueberries.

<b>2013 Mark Ryan Syrah 'Lost Soul'</b>		
<i>Yakima Valley</i>	48.00	39.84VS
<b>2013 Mark Ryan Red 'Long Haul'</b>		
<i>Red Mountain</i>	50.00	41.50VS
<b>2013 Mark Ryan Cabernet Sauvignon 'Dead Horse'</b>		
<i>Red Mountain</i>	55.00	45.65VS

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October 17th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

## VISITS AT THE SHOPS POGGIO LA NOCE

In the hills of Fiesole, Tuscany, Poggio La Noce is a small estate making hand-crafted wines and great olive oil. Claire Beliard and Enzo Sciano have expanded the range of wines they produce at Poggio La Noce. Two new wines have entered the line-up—a fun and fanciful rosé made with Sangiovese and a dash of Teroldego, and a 100% Sangiovese made from selected clusters and aged in 1000L 'botti' for 12 months. Come in and meet Claire and Enzo and taste the full range of wines from their estate on Saturday, October 31st at both shops.

<b>2014 Poggio La Noce 'Pinko Pallino' Rosé</b>		
<i>Toscana</i>	27.00	22.41VS
<b>2012 Poggio La Noce 'Gigino'</b>		
<i>Toscana</i>	38.00	31.54VS
<b>2012 Poggio La Noce 'Gigetto'</b>		
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<b>2011 Poggio La Noce 'Gigiò'</b>		
<i>Toscana</i>	60.00	49.80VS

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October 31st at both shops from 11AM-5PM  
Claire Beliard & Enzo Sciano  
will be at the Ravenna shop from 11:30AM-2:00PM  
and at the Queen Anne shop from 2:30PM-5PM*

*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.*

## 2013 CANVASBACK CABERNET

Canvasback is the first Washington property for the Duckhorn Wine Company from Napa Valley. Working with fruit from some of Red Mountain's best vineyards, including Klipsun, La Coyo, Shaw, and Quintessence, winemaker Brian Rudin crafts a pure expression of Red Mountain fruit. They have purchased a 20 acre parcel above Col Solare and planted it predominantly with Cabernet Sauvignon. Noted grape grower Dick Boushey has helped design the vineyard which has a perfect southwestern exposure. The dry desert climate has 40° temperature swings between day and night, allowing for preservation of natural acidity. The eventual plan is for the Cabernet Sauvignon to be all estate fruit from this superb site.

**2013 Canvasback Cabernet Sauvignon (by Duckhorn)**  
Red Mountain (Limited) 40.00 33.20VS

## 2012 CARPE DIEM CABERNET

When Christian Moueix of Château Petrus purchased the Dominus vineyard, it was planted with the rows facing north-south. For a number of years they have been replanting to orient the vines east-west. When these young vines are producing fruit that is beautiful but not ready to use in Dominus/Napanook, they choose to use it for Carpe Diem. The 2012 Carpe Diem Cabernet Sauvignon was fermented in stainless steel to preserve its bright fruit character, and was aged for 12 months in new and neutral French barrels. It is a blend of 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot. 2012 was an ideal vintage being a long, even growing season and the resulting wine has exceptional texture for \$25.

**2012 Carpe Diem Cabernet Sauvignon**  
Napa Valley 27.00 22.41VS

## 2013 JANUIK RED

The 2013 Januik Red Wine has old vine grapes from Weinbau, Red Heaven, Champoux, Ciel du Cheval, and Shaw Vineyards in a blend of 39% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Syrah, 16% Merlot, 10% Malbec, and 2% Cabernet Franc. This wine is one of the biggest over-achievers in the state. You can sense old vine fruit in the texture on the palate, and there is sexy new oak, being half new wood and half once used barrels. Riddled with chocolate, cherries, and blackberries, the aroma and palate share a common theme. It has underlying spices of sage and mint. Don't wait long to try this wine as only 1,500 cases will have to feed the nation.

**2013 Januik Red**  
Columbia Valley 20.00 16.60VS

## 2013 BETZ FAMILY RHÔNE STYLE

In 2013, bud break came in early April in Washington State, and flowering was early by anywhere from one to four weeks. Good conditions resulted in a large crop that was thinned to preserve the best clusters. Summer was warm with only a tiny bit of rain in July. A cooling trend arrived in September and those who picked later made wines with freshness from acidity and lots of texture. The Betz Family Rhône-style reds have plenty of bold fruit flavors and long, rich textures.

**2013 Betz Family Red 'Bésolail'**  
Columbia Valley (Limited) 50.00 41.50VS

**2013 Betz Family Syrah 'La Côte Rousse'**  
Red Mountain (Limited) 61.50 51.05VS

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## NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

October always brings many new releases—too many to feature individually, and these are some of the best!

**2014 Abeja Chardonnay**  
Columbia Valley (Limited) 38.00 31.54VS

**2014 Chinook Chardonnay**  
Yakima Valley 20.00 16.60VS

**2013 Abeja Merlot**  
Columbia Valley (Limited) 45.00 37.35VS

**2012 Woodward Canyon Reserve**  
Walla Walla Valley 84.95 net

**2012 FIGGINS Red**  
Walla Walla Valley 89.95 net

**2014 W.T. Vintners Grüner Veltliner 'Underwood Mtn'**  
Columbia Gorge 20.00 16.60VS

**2012 W.T. Vintners Syrah 'Damavian'**  
'Les Collines Vineyard' 45.00 37.35VS

**2012 àMaurice Cellars Artist Series Red 'Ivey'**  
Columbia Valley 40.00 33.20VS

**2013 Rasa Grenache 'Primus Interpares'**  
Walla Walla Valley 49.95 net

**2012 Kerloo Cellars Grenache 'Upland Vineyard'**  
Snipes Mountain 42.00 34.86VS

**2012 Kerloo Cellars Syrah 'Les Collines'**  
Walla Walla Valley 42.00 34.86VS

**2012 Eyrie Vineyards Pinot Noir 'Outcrop'**  
Dundee Hills 55.00 45.65VS

**2012 Evesham Wood Pinot Noir 'Cuvée J'**  
Eola-Amity Hills 50.00 41.50VS

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## 2013 FOILLARD MORGON

One of the early members of the 'Gang of Four' from Beaujolais, Jean Foillard followed the teachings of Jules Chauvet. This meant a return to the old practices of viticulture and vinification. Using fruit from old vines, never using synthetic herbicides or pesticides, harvesting late, rigorously sorting to remove all but the healthiest grapes, adding minimal doses of sulfur dioxide (*or none at all*), and refusing both chaptalization and filtration leads to Beaujolas that purely expresses the soils on which the Gamay vines are grown. The 2013 Foillard Morgon 'Côte du Py' comes from schist, granite, and manganese soils and it has fabulous aromatics. The 2013 Foillard Morgon 'Cuvée Courcelette' is made with 80 year old vines grown on sandstone. It shows more weight on the palate, and is filled with pure Gamay fruit.

### 2013 Foillard Morgon 'Côte du Py'

Beaujolais 35.00 29.05VS

### 2013 Foillard Morgon 'Cuvée Courcelette'

Beaujolais 35.00 29.05VS

## DEUX CHEVEAU

One of our newest finds are the wines of Domaine Cheveau, a fourteen hectare estate located in the hamlet of Solutré-Pouilly with holdings in Saint-Amour and Davayé. Two exceptional wines have just arrived. The 2014 Domaine Cheveau Mâcon Davayé 'Les Belouzes' has an aroma reminiscent of fine Puligny-Montrachet, rich body with crisp acidity, and a flavor more pear than apple. The 2014 Domaine Cheveau Beaujolais-Villages 'En Chatenay' comes from vines that are more than 50 years old in the village of Saint-Amour. The wine has a big cherry aroma with savory herb notes. This is a great wine to stash for Thanksgiving.

### 2014 Domaine Cheveau Mâcon Davayé

'Les Belouzes' 25.00 20.75VS

### 2014 Domaine Cheveau Beaujolais-Villages 'Or Rouge'

'En Chatenay' 18.00 14.94VS

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*October 24th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

## 'LA SYRAH' - HELFENBEIN

Hellfire and damnation spew from the aroma of the 2013 Charles Helfenbein 'La Syrah' grown on the steep slopes of the Collines Rhodaniennes. So if you don't like Syrah... do not enter! But if you love the gamey, sanguine style that only pure Syrah can provide, this is a wine to buy. At \$15, it is a third the price of most comparable Syrahs.

### 2013 Charles Helfenbein 'La Syrah'

Collines Rhodaniennes 15.00 12.45VS

## 2014 CAMINS DEL PRIORAT

Alvaro Palacios spent two years at Château Pétrus before setting up on his own winery in Priorat in 1989. Today, he is considered the master of the region, and his L'Ermita Priorat regularly sells for over \$700 a bottle. In the 2014 vintage in Priorat, the weather was damp from September to November, with coulure developing in the Garnacha vines. Cariñena makes up a large portion of the 2014 Alvaro Palacios Camins del Priorat and this adds quite a bit of texture to the wine. The aroma is mulberry and sage with a dark fruit profile. This is an excellent choice for stews of all sorts.

### 2014 Alvaro Palacios Camins del Priorat

Priorat 23.00 19.09VS

## 2012 BARBI ROSSO DI MONTALCINO

The 2012 Fattoria dei Barbi Rosso di Montalcino is a selection of Brunello clone grapes from younger vines as well as a de-classification of actual Brunello barrels. Tasting the 2012 Fattoria di Barbi Rosso, you immediately sense the Brunello fruit. Dried cherries, savory sage and green tea notes combine with wonderful texture and a long spicy finish.

### 2012 Fattoria dei Barbi Rosso

Montalcino 25.00 20.75VS

## GOULART - ARGENTINA

Located in Luján de Cuyo in the province of Mendoza, the Bodegas Goulart estate is located close to the Mendoza River. The vineyards date back to 1915, when Marshall Gastao Goulart, a Brazilian military leader, purchased two 15-hectare properties and planted them with Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon. These wines have a rich and complex texture and finish—something frequently missing in Argentine wines.

### 2010 Goulart Malbec 'Marshall'

Mendoza 20.00 16.60VS

### 2011 Goulart Malbec/Cabernet 'Black Legion'

Mendoza 20.00 16.60VS

## ANDREOLA PROSECCO SUPERIORE

We discovered a great value in Prosecco Superiore from Valdobbiadene called Andreola 'Dirupo'. Made with 90% Glera, 5% Bianchetta, and 5% Perera, the wine comes from steep mountainside vineyards (*at times exceeding 45 degrees*) and the fruit is hand-harvested. This has an amazingly dry finish and exceptional balance.

### 2014 Andreola Prosecco Superiore 'Dirupo'

Valdobbiadene 15.00 12.45VS

**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*



