



**McCarthy &  
Schiering**

WINE MERCHANTS, INC.

VINTAGE SELECT BUYERS' CLUB NEWSLETTER

WWW.MCCARTHYANDSCHIERING.COM

# SEPTEMBER, 2016

## TASTINGS AT THE SHOPS

### ANDRÉ NEVEU SANCERRES

The Neveu family has been based in Chavignol vineyards for many generations. Valérie (*André Neveu's daughter*), and her husband Thomas now run the 13 hectare domaine. Each terroir from limestone-clay to silex soils on the estate is vinified individually, and the results are uniquely different and tasty to try side by side. Come in and taste the newest vintages of these wines on Saturday, September 3rd at both shops.

#### 2015 Domaine André Neveu Sancerre

*'Le Grand Fricambault'* 27.00 22.41VS

#### 2015 Domaine André Neveu Sancerre

*'Les Longues Fins'* 28.00 23.24VS

#### 2015 Domaine André Neveu Sancerre Vieilles Vignes

*'Le Manoir'* 32.00 26.56VS

#### 2014 Domaine André Neveu Sancerre

*'Les Monts Damnés'* 40.00 33.20VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,*

*September 3th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

## 2014 CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPES

The 2014 Châteauneuf-du-Papes have a greater proportion of Grenache in their cuvées, providing dazzling, floral aromatics of lavender and rose petal. There is lots of body, with plenty of glycerin, but the tannins are soft and ripe. The freshness, minerality, and acidity of these wines will pair well with grilled flank steak or lamb. The forward style of these wines will be appreciated, especially for those planning Fall meals.

#### 2014 Clos des Brusquières Châteauneuf-du-Pape

45.00 37.35VS

#### 2014 Domaine Pierre Usseglio Châteauneuf-du-Pape

45.00 37.35VS

#### 2014 Bosquet des Papes Châteauneuf-du-Pape

50.00 41.50VS

#### 2014 Le Vieux Donjon Châteauneuf-du-Pape

70.00 58.10VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,*

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

## TENUTA DELLE TERRE NERE - SICILY

'Baroque' (*exaggerated motion, producing drama, tension, and exuberance*) is the word that Marco di Grazia says fits the bill for his 2013 reds. It was a vintage that truly tested the patience of the vigneroni, with even older farmers complaining about the problematic weather. But the resulting wines are truly fresh, vivacious, and complete. The 2013 Tenuta delle Terre Nere 'Calderara Sottana' received 'Tre Bicchieri' from the Gambero Rosso. Nerello Mascalese and Nerello Cappuccio make up the fruit profile of these romantic wines. A hint of Barolo with an echo of Grand Cru Burgundy—that's Terre Nere! Come in and see for yourself just how special these wines are.

#### 2013 Tenuta delle Terre Nere Etna Rosso

*'Santo Spirito'* 45.00 37.35VS

#### 2013 Tenuta delle Terre Nere Etna Rosso

*'Feudo di Mezzo'* 45.00 37.35VS

#### 2013 Tenuta delle Terre Nere Etna Rosso

*'Calderara Sottana'* 45.00 37.35VS

#### 2013 Tenuta delle Terre Nere Etna Rosso

*'Guardiola'* 45.00 37.35VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,*

*September 10th at both shops from 11AM-5PM*

## VISITS AT THE SHOPS

### ADAMI PROSECCO

Wine growing in the Alta Marca area near Treviso dates as far back as the Middle Ages. Adami has been producing great sparkling wines here for the last 90 years, and we have been selling them for the past 25 years. Come meet Export Manager Enrico Valleferro and taste these wines on Saturday, September 24th at both shops.

#### Adami Prosecco di Valdobbiadene DOCG

*'Sul Lievito'* 15.00 12.45VS

#### Adami Prosecco DOC

*'Garbel'* 15.00 12.45VS

#### Adami Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Superiore

*'Bosca di Gica'* 18.00 14.94VS

#### 2015 Adami Prosecco di Valdobbiadene Superiore

*'Vigneto Giardino'* 22.00 18.26VS

*Taste these wines on Saturday,*

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

*Enrico Valleferro 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.*

## FEATURED WINES: TIBERIO - ABRUZZI

You may have noticed that Trebbiano and Montepulciano d'Abruzzo seldom make it into our newsletters. This is because 80% of all the wine in the Abruzzo region is produced by four large co-operative wineries, and the quality is generally too variable to feature. Then we discovered Tiberio, run by Cristiana and Antonio Tiberio, who work with indigenous varieties only, to create elegant, refined wines. Tiberio's Trebbiano Abruzzese vines are among the oldest in Abruzzo and they are the true Trebbiano Abruzzese—not Trebbiano Toscano which is much more widely planted. The 2014 Tiberio Trebbiano d'Abruzzo is delicious, having an aroma of apricot and jasmine. It is zesty with acidity, and perfect for finfish dishes. The Appennine mountain ranges of the Marche and Abruzzo are home to the ancient variety Pecorino. Its wines are rich in body but have firm acidity, offering a unique combination of texture and vibrancy. The 2014 Tiberio Pecorino shows sage, melon, and peach notes. It is a white wine for Northwest shellfish. The 2013 Tiberio Montepulciano d'Abruzzo was awarded a 2016 Gambero Rosso 'Tre Biccheri' (three glasses) and it deserves it. It has an aroma of blueberry, violet, and gunflint, with a bright black cherry flavor, and refreshing acidity. A wine for fowl and game dishes, it has a classic flavor that pairs with pasta in red pepper sauce as well.

<b>2014 Tiberio Trebbiano Abruzzese</b>		
<i>Abruzzo</i>	19.00	15.77VS
<b>2014 Tiberio Pecorino</b>		
<i>Colline Pescaresi</i>	25.00	20.75VS
<b>2013 Tiberio Montepulciano</b>		
<i>Abruzzo</i>	21.00	17.43VS

## EIGHT BELLS WINERY

Two fine new wines from Eight Bells have just arrived. The 2015 Eight Bells Viognier from the 'Chapel Block' in Red Willow Vineyards may be one of the best in America. Seriously refreshing acidity combines with an orange citrus note that is reminiscent of great Condrieu wines of the Northern Rhône Valley. The 2014 Eight Bells Tempranillo has an aroma that recalls Ribera del Duero reds. These are great wines to explore from Washington.

<b>2015 Eight Bells Viognier 'Chapel Block'</b>		
<i>'Red Willow Vineyard' (Ltd)</i>	30.00	24.90VS
<b>2014 Eight Bells Tempranillo</b>		
<i>'Red Willow Vineyard' (Ltd)</i>	35.00	29.05VS

## 2014 PATZ & HALL CHARDONNAYS

The 2014 Patz & Hall Chardonnay Sonoma Coast shows honeydew and citrus zest, with a hint of toasted almond and cinnamon on the palate. The 2014 Patz & Hall Chardonnay 'Hyde Vineyard' has an aroma of yellow apple, honey, clove, and acacia. Mouthwatering acidity and toasted hazelnut flavors, lead to a complex and satisfying finish. These are world class Chardonnays, at the top from California.

<b>2014 Patz &amp; Hall Chardonnay</b>		
<i>Sonoma Coast</i>	45.00	37.35VS
<b>2014 Patz &amp; Hall Chardonnay 'Hyde Vineyard'</b>		
<i>Sonoma Coast</i>	60.00	49.80VS

## 2014 THE HUNTSMAN CABERNET

The 2014 Ross Andrew Cabernet Sauvignon 'The Huntsman' is a blend of 96% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Petit Verdot. Grapes for this wine come from Red Mountain, Horse Heaven Hills, and the Columbia Valley. The Petit Verdot enriches the Cabernet Sauvignon adding spicy aromatics. The wine has a fantastic balance for one in this price range.

<b>2014 Ross Andrew Cabernet Sauvignon 'The Huntsman'</b>		
<i>Columbia Valley</i>	17.00	14.11VS

## 2015 YVES LECCIA ROSÉ

Truly a rosé for all seasons, the 2015 Yves Leccia Rosé has a most beautiful color, a fantastic aroma of alpine berries and cantaloupe, a refreshing flavor of white plum, and a racy, dry finish. This wine would be perfect for Thanksgiving.

<b>2015 Yves Leccia Rosé</b>		
<i>Ile de Beauté</i>	25.00	20.75VS

## 2015 MARQUILIANI ROSÉ

Another late arrival is the 50% Syrah, 40% Sciaccarellu, 10% Vermentino 2015 Domaine de Marquilliani 'Rosé de Pauline' which is extremely pale in color. Kermit Lynch raves about it saying, "Drinking her rosé is like drinking a cloud. There's an absolute weightlessness to it."

<b>2015 Domaine de Marquilliani Rosé</b>		
<i>'Rosé de Pauline'</i>	27.00	22.41VS

## 2015 WALTER SCOTTS

Just arriving as we go to print, two lovely wines.

<b>2015 Walter Scott Chardonnay 'La Combe Verte'</b>		
<i>Willamette Valley (Limited)</i>	28.00	23.24VS
<b>2015 Walter Scott Pinot Noir 'La Combe Verte'</b>		
<i>Willamette Valley</i>	28.00	23.24VS

**Ravenna Shop**  
6500 Ravenna Avenue NE  
Seattle, WA 98115  
(206) 524-9500  
FAX (206) 524-0310  
ravenna@mccarthyandschiering.com

**Queen Anne Shop**  
2401B Queen Anne Ave N  
Seattle, WA 98109  
(206) 282-8500  
FAX (206) 284-2498  
queenanne@mccarthyandschiering.com

## 2014 RIDGE - THE FALL RELEASE

The 2014 Ridge Vineyards will arrive this month and they are getting great press. 2014 was a drier than normal year with lots of Spring moisture and a sunny, dry harvest.

### 2014 Ridge Zinfandel 'Ponzo'

Russian River Valley 32.00 26.56VS

### 2014 Ridge Petite Sirah 'Lytton Estate'

Dry Creek Valley 35.00 29.05VS

### 2014 Ridge Zinfandel 'Pagani Ranch'

Sonoma Valley 40.00 33.20VS

### 2014 Ridge Lytton Springs

Dry Creek Valley 40.00 33.20VS

## 2015 CORTE GIACOBBE SOAVE

Produced in the vineyards that surround the ancient hamlet of Corte Giacobbe, in the hills of Roncà, only a few kilometers from Soave, the 2015 Corte Giacobbe Soave is made with 100% Garganega grapes. The aroma has a striking floral profile—acacia and white flowers. On the palate, it has a saline note that makes this wine sing with food. This is the new kid on the block in the field of Soave, and it is a big kid!

### 2015 Tenuta di Corte Giacobbe Soave

15.00 12.45VS

## 2015 PERRIER ROUSSETTE

The wines of the Savoie are little known gems that pair well with a vast array of meals. From chicken in cream sauces to lobster salads, the crisp, dry nature of these wines is palate cleansing, and deliciously racy.

### 2015 Jean Perrier Roussette de Savoie

'Cuvée Gastronomie' 13.00 10.79VS

## PENNY'S HILL

Sporting black labels with an iconic red dot above each label, Penny's Hill wines have been a leader in McLaren Vale since 1995. Tony and Susie Parkinson planted the vineyard in 1988. The 2012 Penny's Hill Grenache 'The Experiment' is from McLaren Vale and named for an experiment of old vine stocks planted to a modern trellis configuration. It shows seductive red berry fruits and savory notes, with an elegant and juicy palate. The 2013 Penny's Hill Shiraz 'Crackling Black' is named for the Bay of Biscay soils which contribute elegance and finesse to the Shiraz of the region.

### 2012 Penny's Hill Grenache 'The Experiment'

Adelaide Hills 33.00 27.39VS

### 2013 Penny's Hill Shiraz 'Crackling Black'

McLaren Vale 25.00 20.75VS

## RIBERA DEL DUERO

With hot summers, frigid winters, and very stoney terrain, Ribera del Duero can be difficult for people to work, but grapes love this extreme environment. The region Ribera del Duero was granted its DO status in 1982, and today there are over 170 wineries and more than 18,000 hectares of vines.

### 2010 Bodegas Pérez Pascuas Viña Pedrosa

Ribera del Duero 30.00 24.90VS

### 2011 Bodegas Mauro

Tudela del Duero 36.00 29.88VS

### 2010 Abadia Retuerta Selección Especial

Sardon del Duero 30.00 24.90VS

### 2013 Alejandro Fernández Tinto Pesquera

Ribera del Duero 35.00 29.05VS

## 2010 PIAN DELLE VIGNE BRUNELLO

The Pian delle Vigne estate is located 3.5 miles south of Montalcino, and takes its name from a typical 19th century railroad located on the property. The 2010 Antinori Brunello di Montalcino 'Pian delle Vigne' has an aroma of wild cherries, raspberries, and chocolate, with nuances of tobacco leaf and licorice. On the palate, plums, mint, and eucalyptus emerge. The wine is elegant and noble in the textural sensations of its tannins. This is an ageworthy wine that will live for decades.

### 2010 Antinori Brunello 'Pian delle Vigne'

Montalcino 80.00 66.40VS

## THE BETTER HALF WINES

George Elworthy, married to Jules Taylor, the well-known New Zealand winemaker, also has more than 18 years of experience in Marlborough. So when he decided to make his own wines, a healthy rivalry began and The Better Half brand evolved. The 2015 Better Half Sauvignon Blanc shows citrus and green apple aromas mingled with hints of honeysuckle and savory herbs. It is an exceptional value at \$13. The 2014 Better Half Pinot Noir has black cherry and cranberry aromas, and it too is a great deal.

### 2015 The Better Half Sauvignon Blanc

Marlborough 13.00 10.79VS

### 2014 The Better Half Pinot Noir

Marlborough 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*



