



Locals Choice Wine Club

March 2008 Tasting Notes

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Hello again Locals Choice Club members,

While we're the first to admit that discussing the weather is dull, it's hard to avoid it around here when Sonoma County is doing its schizophrenic best to make us all crazy. One minute there is a beautiful blue sky tempting us all to think about tank tops and flip flops (with possibly just a little angst about winter weight gain thrown in!), and the next minute it's storming and the radio is broadcasting flood and high wind warnings. To add to the confusion, we're either puddle jumping, or admiring the first few crocuses and daffodils brave enough to try and get a jump on spring and stick their heads out of the ground. What can we say, it's certainly unpredictable, but three of us here at Locals are east coast transplants, and – rain or no rain – it's still pretty darn great not to be shoveling snow!

In the spirit of this March madness, we've been inspired to have a contest. If you've visited our blog lately, you know all about it. It's Duct Tape Wallet time! You can check out the details here: www.localwines.blogs.com and then you're all set to get busy designing your own winning wallet. We're excited to see what our loyal Locals come up with!

Meanwhile, here at the tasting room we'll keep busy comforting refugees from the storms or celebrating an unexpectedly beautiful day by pouring our usual great selection of wines. We've got some particularly interesting yummy selections for you this time around. These are wines we hope will go with whatever your dinner mood – be it a brave early barbecue in expectation of the coming summer, a winter stew to warm you up after digging your car out from under a mountain of snow, or an evening with friends celebrating the promise of the coming Spring. As always we've included some recipe suggestions of our own and you can find them online by [clicking the recipe's link](#) on www.tastelocalwines.com

Don't forget, this month members of the Locals Choice Reds Only Club will be getting the two red wines, and members of The Locals Choice Club will be getting one red (the RH Wines Pinot Noir) and one white wine selection.

This months wine choices:

McFadden 2006 Pinot Gris

Fruity, fresh nose with some banana and apple peel notes. Smooth, smooth opening, full mouth feel and a lingering after pallet of pure varietal character.

To us, that translates as the perfect wine to sip while you relax and cook a meal with friends!

RH Wines Pinot Noir

Selected from fruit grown is several vineyards throughout the Russian River Valley, this deeply colored Pinot greets you with bright aromas of cherry and cola, then explodes on the palate with luscious flavors of Morrello cherries and plums, stretching into a mildly spicy finish. Try this wine with Pacific Salmon, duck or light pasta dishes.

2006 Struttin' Red California Red Wine

Eric Ross Winery

Struttin' Red is a blend of Old Vine Carignane from Lodi and Cabernet Sauvignon and Petite Sirah from Lake County. We love the bright garnet color, and the way the spring-like flavors make us think of meals eaten outdoors on a blanket under a blue sky. This is wine for a barbecue, a picnic, and a good grilled burger.

2006 McFadden Pinot Gris

\$16 Retail, Club Price \$13.60
45-day follow up price \$12.80

RH Wines Pinot Noir

\$20 Retail, Club Price \$17
45-day follow up price \$16

2006 Struttin' Red California Red Wine

\$22 Retail, Club Price \$18.70
45-day follow up price \$17.60

Let's all raise a glass to spring. It may be February showers that bring the May flowers around here, but that's just fine with us. And be sure not to forget to send us those wallet pictures!

To thank you for your continued patronage, we offer you a week of free shipping. Your free shipping code this month is LCFRSH3 and your order window is between Friday, April 11th and Friday, April 18th. (Maximum order for free shipping is 3 cases with a maximum of one case to Alaska and Hawaii) Your 45 day follow up discount applies to all orders placed before May 8, 2008.

Cheers,

Carolyn, Tim, Diane, and Sharon

Locals is open Wednesday through Monday from 11AM to 7PM.

We always enjoy hearing from you .

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