



Locals Choice Wine Club

December 2013 Tasting Notes

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Hello Locals Choice Members & Happy Holidays!

We hope this email finds you in full swing, surrounded by friends & family and either basking in winter sunshine or bundled up for snow! However you are celebrating we have some beautiful wines to share and provide the rosy glow.

The Ethan Rock "n" Limo Cabernet from Treasure Hunter is one of those happy circumstances that come from having nine wineries to choose wines from for our club shipments. Treasure Hunter is a small producer whose winemakers seek out special vintages and vineyards each year to bottle and label with this special brand. Oak Knoll is a vineyard in the Napa AVA and is world renowned for its Cabernet Sauvignon. Not sure how these guys managed to score such prestigious grapes (and they aren't telling either!) but the wine they have produced from the 2011 vintage is a smash hit.

Supple with hints of white pepper, rich black berry, cassis flavors and some nice backbone on the finish, this wine is drinking now with a quick decant, but will age for 5-7 years beautifully. If you are even remotely tempted to pick this wine up by the case it will reward you for years to come. Its limited production means it won't last so don't dilly dally about the decision!

The year of 2010 was a stellar vintage for Pinot and the Foggy Valley Pinot is no exception. Russian River Valley provides some of the best growing conditions for Pinot Noir in California. Warm days, cool nights with occasional fog provide a nice slow growing season allowing the Pinot to ripen to its full potential. The wine is a graceful glass of spice with a hint of cherry. Bottle age makes for an easy drink now pleasure.

For those of you in the Pink & White club we have a beautiful Chardonnay from Foggy Valley, and a Rose of a different color, Pendleton Rose is a robust rose which sees some time on the skins, providing some savory notes on the palette and intense color. Winemaker Michall Pendleton suggest it is a perfect match for that Christmas dinner

The recipes we are sharing with you for December are all about making it easy to dress up those leftovers. The scrolls are quick and easy and make a great afternoon treat. Take them to a party with a bottle of the Ethan Rock "n" Limo and you will be a welcome house guest indeed. The risotto is just what winter demands, earthy, creamy, comfort food, and perfect with that bottle of Foggy Valley Pinot. If you decide to pair with the Turkey Soup recipe both wines can work! Create these recipes or come up with your own and let us know about how the wine and food matching went, we love to put our wine club members adventures on our blog, tastelocalwinesblog.com, send it to us at yummy@tastelocalwines.com.

This coming year we plan to take Locals on the road so if you are interested in hosting a Locals wine club event, please get in touch. There are many Locals Wine Club members



in each state so wouldn't it be great to meet some fellow Locals club members and enjoy Locals wines in your home state? Email me at carolynlewis@gmail.com if you're interested and I will give you a call.

If you are thinking about wine for the holidays we have a Christmas offer available and we are shipping until December 16th, 2013. Let us play Santa for you with a unique gift that takes the hassle and the guess work out and puts the fun and frivolity in.

Locals Choice Christmas – Send a onetime shipment of 2 wines to friends, family or co-workers and we will include recipes with food and wine matching – a small complimentary gift and a personalized gift tag.

You choose the people and we choose the wines!

SANTA PACK

Praxis Gewurztraminer & Gunfighter Cabernet Sauvignon \$31.00 + shipping

RUDOLPH PACK

RH Wines Rowdy Red & Eric Ross Struttin Red \$48.00 + shipping

OLD KING COLE PACK

Petersons La Stupenda Barbera & Pendleton Buzzard Red \$48.00 + shipping

As always, I suggest you mark your calendars for our all-important dollar-shipping window which runs from Thursday 2nd January, 2014 to Monday 13th January, 2014. *Please note that the maximum order for \$1 shipping is three cases per club member, one case to Hawaii and excludes shipping to Alaska and Canada.* Your 45-day follow up discount runs until Monday 20th January, 2014. (wow here it is!) Call us at 707-857-4900 or email your order to yummy@tastelocalwines.com.

Enjoy your wines and keep in touch with us on Facebook. Be sure to like our Locals Tasting Room page for all our news and deals. And check out our Locals Travel Tips Blog for great things to do when you're next visiting Locals! localstraveltips.com

Cheers,
Carolyn

P.S. Current tasting notes and recipes can be found at tastelocalwines.com/tasting_notes and tastelocalwines.com/recipes.

Locals Choice Club Selections

**2011 Treasure Hunter Ethan from Rock'n Limo
Cabernet Sauvignon, Oak Knoll Valley**

Retail \$25.00, Club Price \$21.25
45 day follow on price \$20.00

**2010 Foggy Valley Pinot Noir,
Russian River Valley**

Retail \$30.00, Club Price \$25.50
45 day follow on price \$24.00

Locals Choice Pinks and Whites Club

**2010 Pendleton Cuvee Rose Mourvedre
and Petite Sirah, Sonoma County**

Retail \$15, Club Price \$12.75
45 day follow up price \$12.00

**2011 Foggy Valley Chardonnay
Russian River Valley – Leras Vineyard**

Retail \$22.00, Club Price 18.70
45 day follow up price \$17.60

Locals is open Everyday from 11am to 6pm.

We always enjoy hearing from you . 707-857-4900

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