



Total Locals Wine Club

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Hello Total Locals and Happy Spring!

I'm back in Geyserville after a quick visit to Seattle to see my son who is back from three months spent traveling and studying in Europe. While there is still plenty of cheap Two Buck Chuck wine around the house he shares with four other 21 year olds, his travels seem to have broadened his wine consumption tastes a bit.

This visit I brought along a few of this month's club selections for him and his buddies to try and their enjoyment was palpable. Suddenly they were all asking questions. Like what wine pairs best with what food?, is the type of glass you drink from actually important? And then they asked that question that I must have been asked literally thousands of times over the last 12 years since I opened Locals.... what gave you the idea for Locals and how did it all start?

Some of my most loyal and long term club members (yes there are many of you that have been members for well over 10 years and quite a few for 12!) may remember the answer, but please indulge me while I tell some of our newer members the story such as it is.

After spending 15 years in New York City it was time for an adventure! So what if I had a one year old child, my husband had a great job and I owned a successful business. Seemed like the perfect time to move to Poland and run a restaurant in Krakow. That's what started us on our circuitous route to Northern California. While our time in Poland was a wonderful experience, two years of very hard work and a lot of gray skies and bitter cold later seemed like enough so California beckoned. Never having been to the west coast before, my arrival was picture perfect. My sister picked me up in her convertible at SFO on a beautifully sunny day, drove me across the Golden Gate Bridge and the rest is history.

An hour later I was sitting outside on a beautiful evening drinking a bottle of Kosta Brown Pinot and wondering when I could go visit their winery and get some more. This is where those of you that are familiar with the early days of Locals remember that the now much sought after Kosta Brown was among our first seven wineries at Locals.



Basically my idea was simple (or so I thought until I started grappling with the good old ABC) I would seek out small amazing winemakers and producers and give them a place where one could not only discover them but taste and buy their wines with ease. Then I thought... hey how about we call it Locals (which is when all the naysayers said "there is no way that name is available") but it was, and 14 years later here we are.

The next couple of months will see two new wineries added to Locals and you will have even more to choose from. An amazing sparkling Sauvignon Blanc, the only one of its kind in California, as well as more exciting white wines from the same winemaker, and a true Geyserville local who has a wonderful story and wines to match.

Your selection this quarter runs the gamut of my current favorites. A bit of this and a bit of that. Some in very short supply so don't wait too long to open them up and enjoy them. Tasting notes are here tastelocalwines.com/tasting_notes and this is a link to the recipes Diane has come up with for you as pairing suggestions tastelocalwines.com/recipes.

If you are still reading at this point here is your discount window and dollar shipping benefit. Mark your calendars now. Your dollar shipping window runs from May 19th until May 24th. *Please note that the maximum order for \$1 shipping is three cases per club member, and excludes shipping to Hawaii, Alaska and Canada.*

Your 45 day follow up discount runs from April 27th until June 9th, 2014. Call us at 707-857-4900 or email your order to yummy@tastelocalwines.com.

Make sure to like us on Facebook for more deals and specials. www.facebook.com/LocalsTastingRoom and follow our antics.

Cheers,

Carolyn

**2011 Pendleton Cabernet
Alexander Valley**
Retail \$45, Club Price \$36
45 day follow up price \$33.75

**2010 Foggy Valley Pinot Noir
Russian River Valley**
Retail \$30, Club Price \$24
45 day follow up price \$22.50

**2011 Peterson Zero Manipulation
100% Tollini Vineyard**
Retail \$16, Club Price \$12.40
45 day follow up price \$12

**2010 Praxis Merlot
Alexander Valley**
Retail \$23, Club Price \$18.40
45 day follow up price \$17.25

**2010 One Time Spaceman, Moon Duck
Paso Robles**
Retail \$30, Club Price \$24
45 day follow up price \$22.50

**2012 Treasure Hunter, Deep Whisper
Calistoga, Napa Valley**
Retail \$25, Club Price \$20
45 day follow up price \$18.75

Locals is open
Everyday from 11AM to 6PM.

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