



Trust Carolyn Wine Club

May 2015 Tasting Notes

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Hello again to all my Trust Carolyn Club members,

Your club selections this time around are a true assortment of riches representing more than ten different varietals. I have tried to keep your summer celebrations, graduations, barbecues and even your beach parties in mind. There are complex juicy reds and a couple of dangerously easy porch sippers. Pay special attention to the 2007 Munselle Vineyards delicious Cabernet from their Coyote Crest Vineyard. The Munselle family's heritage of grape growing and winemaking in the Alexander Valley dates back to 1876 and the Coyote Crest is so named for a path continuously used by coyotes year after year to cross the ridge.

As I take my morning walk through the vineyards these days I am struck by how they are bursting with color. Bright green vines with tiny buds amid rows of wildflowers. There is also a lot of manual activity going on as teams of vineyard workers prune, sucker and generally care for the vines. Suckering the vines is particularly important during May as the process removes unwanted growth that has emerged and is sometimes also referred to as shoot thinning. It is the most important step in adjusting the crop load for the year.

All the beautiful colors in the vineyard stand in stark contrast to the prematurely brown hillsides. Our rivers are low and drought dominates many conversations. Local winemakers are doing their part with innovative irrigation and water conservation. Yesterday brought literally a thirty second shower, not enough to do any good but it got everyone excited.

I recently gained a bit of new knowledge while chatting with our winemakers as I was wondering aloud if the tiny buds now visible on the vines are in fact "baby" grapes. Actually they are precursor flower buds. Once they do flower even the lightest rain can damage their delicate structure. I am often struck by how intricately nature, in all its unpredictability, fashions what finds its way to our table in a bottle.

Rest assured there is not a soulless wine in the bunch. None are wines you have had before, but I predict you will want to order more so that you can enjoy them again and again.

Full tasting notes on each wine can be found on our newly designed website right here localstastingroom.com/tasting-notes and some pairing ideas from Diane are here localstastingroom.com/recipes for you to try out.

As always please mark your calendar to take advantage of your One Dollar a Case shipping window which runs from July 20th, 2015 through July 27th, 2015. This is your chance to order more of the wines you enjoyed. We do ask that you order a minimum of one case and the maximum order is three cases. *The dollar shipping window is for new orders only.* Your 45 day follow up discount runs until August 8th so combine these two club benefits and get some more of your favorite wines.

Wishing you all a fun filled summer and we hope you visit us again soon!

Cheers,
Carolyn

**2007 Munselle Cabernet Sauvignon
Coyote Crest, Alexander Valley**
Retail \$65.00, Club price \$52.00
Follow-up price \$48.75

**2012 Kitfox, Treasure Hunter
From Eden, Proprietary Red Wine
St Helena, Napa Valley**
Retail \$25.00, Club price \$20.00
Follow-up price \$18.75

**2010 William Gordon
Cabernet Sauvignon
Alexander Valley**
Retail \$45.00, Club price \$36.00
Follow-up price \$33.75

**2012 Peterson Sangiovese
Dry Creek Valley**
Retail \$26.00, Club price \$20.80
Follow-up price \$19.50

**2012 Peterson Zero Manipulation
Carignane Blend
Tollini Vineyard Mendocino**
Retail \$16.50, Club price \$13.20
Follow-up price \$12.38

**2011 William Gordon Zinfandel
Rink Vineyard, Alexander Valley**
Retail \$35.00, Club Price \$28.00
Follow-up price \$26.25

**2012 Eric Ross Old Vine Zinfandel
Dry Creek Valley**
Retail \$42.00, Club price \$33.60
Follow-up price \$31.50

**2012 Bedarra Beachfront
Sauvignon Blanc blend
Dry Creek Valley**
Retail \$18.00, Club price \$14.40
Follow-up price \$13.50

**2014 Bodkin Chardonnay, The Fearless
Dry Creek Valley**
Retail \$28.00, Club price \$22.40
Follow-up price \$21.00

**2012 Pendleton
Cabernet Sauvignon Blend
Bad Kitty
Alexander Valley**
Retail \$29.00, Club price \$23.20
Follow-up price \$21.75

**2010 Praxis Merlot
Alexander Valley**
Retail \$23.00, Club price \$18.40
Follow-up price \$17.25

**2012 Kitfox Treasure Hunter
Zinfandel Challenger Deep
Dry Creek Valley**
Retail \$25.00, Club price \$20.00
Follow-up price \$18.75

**Locals Tasting Room
is open Everyday
from 11am-6pm**

We always enjoy
hearing from you .

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