



Locals Choice Wine Club

December 2012 Tasting Notes

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Hello again Locals Choice club members,

It is raining cats and dogs around here this week as my mother used to say. We have moved rather rapidly into our full on rainy season and it is time to start thinking about warm and cozy indoor pursuits. Never fear...your December Locals Wine Club is here.

I always love it when I taste a wine, like it, and then find out that it is really very reasonably priced. It is something that so rarely happens with a Cabernet. Usually you are still smarting from the sticker shock as you take your first sip and then it still needs to live up to your expectations. Well the first time I tried the 2009 Gunfighter Cabernet I was amazed at how well the wine held up against some Cabernets I had tasted recently that were at least twice the price. I just knew I wanted it for the Locals lineup so thank you Mike Loykasek for making us yet another great wine.

Your holiday celebrations are going to be the perfect opportunity to enjoy this wine. The kind of foods you prepare at this time of year will pair nicely with this fruity, vivacious yet hearty Cabernet. You can feel confident that the family and friends you entertain will also love this big juicy wine. The 2009 Gunfighter Cabernet completely dispels the myth that a Cabernet has to cost a lot of money to be great.

The label alone on this next wine is a tasting room favorite. Now I know you should not judge a book by its cover but this one is really fun. The 2010 One Time Spaceman Moon Duck is a blend of 40% Syrah, 30% Mourvedre, 20% Grenache and 10% Tempranillo. The wine is made by Mark Adams, who blends it from small lots from some of Paso Robles best sites. The fruit is sourced from meticulously maintained vineyards with low yields and intense fruit. Each blend Mark makes is different but with a familiar signature. The wines represent an opportunity to try cult wines without the cult wine price. Mark Adams is a well connected Paso Robles native. He is not only a rock star winemaker, but a literal local rock star too, with a seriously popular band by the same name of One Time Spaceman. It is also important to note that the bottle lets us know that all his wines are Dolphin Safe, and not a single dolphin was harmed or used in the making of this wine. Get in on the joke and rock on!

Those of you who have selected our Pinks and Whites Club will be receiving the 2011 Kitfox One Time Spaceman Rose, a yummy blend of Grenache, Syrah and Mourvedre and the equally tasty 2011 Saracina Sauvignon Blanc.



Full tasting notes on all your wines can be found here tastelocalwines.com/tasting_notes

As we move all too quickly toward the New Year it is fun to celebrate all our holiday traditions. For those of you who missed it, or live too far away, Geyserville has a new tradition all its own. We celebrated our third year of the Parade of Lights, a quintessential small town affair. Imagine tractors and grape harvesters all lit up and decorated parading down main street to the great enjoyment of happy onlookers and ecstatic children. Ringing in the holiday season and gaining in popularity every year, make sure you have this fun event on your calendar for next year. There are some fun pictures of the festivities on our Facebook page so you can see what you missed. FB link: facebook.com/LocalsTastingRoom

For those of you that visit us to pick up your wines they are ready and waiting and shipping customers will have their wines in time for the holidays. Diane has selected some recipes for you to try, which you can check out by clicking here tastelocalwines.com/recipes and be sure to mark your calendars to take advantage of your \$1 per case shipping window starting January 4th through January 11th, 2013. Please note that the **maximum** order for \$1 per case shipping is 3 cases per club member (with a **maximum of one case to Alaska and Hawaii**). Your 45-day follow up discount applies to all orders placed by January 25th. Please call 707-857-4900 or email us and mention shipping code LC1212 to receive your discount. You can also order online here www.securewineshop.net/tastelocalwine/customer/home.php

All of us at Locals wish you the best of holidays. Keep drinking good wine and we hope to see lots more of you in 2013.

Cheers,

Carolyn

Locals Choice Club Selections

**2009 Gunfighter Cabernet
Scharf Family Vineyards**
\$32 retail, club price \$27.20
45-day follow up price \$25.60

**2010 One Time Spaceman "Moon Duck"
Paso Robles**
\$29 retail, club price \$24.65
45-day follow up price \$23.20

Locals Choice Pinks and Whites Club

**2011 Saracina Sauvignon Blanc
Mendocino County**
\$23 retail, club price \$19.55
45-day follow up price \$18.40

**One Time Spaceman Rose
Paso Robles**
\$17 retail, club price \$14.45
45-day follow up price \$13.60

Locals is open Everyday from 11am to 6pm.

We always enjoy hearing from you .

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