



Locals Choice Wine Club

December 2020 Tasting Notes

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Hello to all my Locals Choice Club Members,

It's going to be hard for me to pretend things are even remotely normal this holiday season, but I can certainly attest to the fact that great wine is needed now more than ever! To that end, I've selected some of my favorites for you to enjoy as we move forward into what will hopefully be better times ahead.

A few months ago, we were pleased to add Dot Wines to the Locals lineup and, so far, our customers have been loving their wines. Dot is a small family winery specializing in Russian River Valley Pinot Noir. With over 20 years in the wine industry, founder Lise Asimont is a force to be reckoned with in the world of ultra-premium winegrowing. In this shipment, you will be receiving the 2018 Dot "Lyrik Vineyard" Pinot Noir. This 90-point Pinot (Wine Enthusiast) is a bright and lively wine with big aromatics, lively acidity with juicy red berries and cherries and a nice long-lasting finish. I recently enjoyed this wine with a seared duck breast and some roasted Brussel sprouts. I know Brussel Sprouts may not be everyone's favorite veggie but give this a try and you may be pleasantly surprised.

Next up is the 2018 Toraño "El Bobo" Grenache from the Jemrose Vineyard. (92 points in Wine Enthusiast) This very storied vineyard is particularly known for its Grenache. Father and son team Art and Enzo Toraño, with consulting winemaker Patrick Sullivan, have made a wine that's more in the classic style of a Catalonian Garnacha. Sip this wine while enjoying just about any classic holiday meal especially if you are feeling up to making a rack of lamb or beef wellington.

For those of you in the Red and White Club your white wine selection this quarter is the delicious Denier Handal 2019 Verdelho. This is one of the most popular white grapes of Portugal. A beautiful crisp wine with broad fruit assets, minerality, and some earthy nuttiness. Mussels would pair beautifully with this wine as would a Waldorf Salad if any of you remember how to make that one! If you are a Pink and White Club member you will soon be enjoying one of my favorite Rosés by Fred and Jamie Peterson.



While we remain closed for tastings indoors, we are doing outdoor tastings by appointment on Fridays and Saturdays. As of this writing, we are in the tasting room on Fridays and Saturdays from noon to 5 pm and Wednesdays and Thursdays from noon to 4 pm. We ask that you let us know you are coming either by phone or email so that we can have your wines all ready for you. All of this is, of course, subject to change.

Important: I know many of you are currently working from home. So if we've previously shipped to a business and we need to change that, please let us know by emailing localstastingroom@gmail.com as soon as possible so we can make the change on our end.

All your club wines are listed below, and we love to hear what you think of our selections, so don't hesitate to drop us a note. Tasting notes on each wine can be found here: localstastingroom.com/tasting_notes/.

Your 45-day discount runs until January 2nd, 2021. Take advantage and stock up! We're also running lots of special offers so be sure you are checking out our emails.

My fervent wish is that we will all be together again soon. Take care and stay healthy.

Cheers,

Carolyn

Locals Choice Reds Only Club Selections

**2018 Dot Wine Lyrik Pinot Noir
Russian River Valley**
Retail \$45.00 Club price \$38.25
Follow-up \$36.00

**2018 Torano El Bobo Grenache
Jemrose Vineyard – Bennet Valley**
Retail \$45.00 Club price \$38.25
Follow-up \$36.00

Locals Choice Red and White Club

**2018 Dot Wine Lyrik Pinot Noir
Russian River Valley**
Retail \$45.00 Club price \$38.25
Follow-up \$36.00

**2019 Denier-Handal Verdelho
Contra Costa County**
Retail \$21.00 Club price \$17.85
Follow-up \$16.80

Locals Choice Pinks and Whites Club

**2019 Peterson Rose
Bradford Mountain – Dry Creek Valley**
Retail \$25.00 Club price \$21.25
Follow-up \$20.00

**2019 Denier-Handal Verdelho
Contra Costa County**
Retail \$21.00 Club price \$17.85
Follow-up \$16.80

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