

# 2011 Wine Auction Catalogue

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### **2000 Renegade Ridge Pinot Noir**

*Archery Summit*

Dark red/purple in hue, this wine delivers layered aromas of rich, ripe cassis, blackberries, raspberries, ripe Bing cherries and exotic spices. The 2000 Renegade Ridge is extremely well balanced, elegant and concentrated. Deep and rich, this wine has a lush and broad mid-palate that leads to a long finish. Ripe tannins support a massive amount of sweet ripe fruit. This forward and approachable estate bottled Pinot Noir boasts outstanding color, aromatics, flavor and depth, and may be consumed now or cellared for 6-9 years.

\$131

### **2002 Quilceda Creek Cabernet- Signed Bottle**

*Edward Melillo*

Dark ruby-colored and sporting a nose of violets, sweet blueberries, and dark cherries, the 2002 Cabernet Sauvignon blossoms on the palate to expose a wine of ethereal delicacy yet immense power. Medium to full-bodied, it expands to reveal concentrated layers of cassis, blackberries, red cherries, raspberries, violets, spices, and touches of candied plums. This rich, exquisitely balanced, sweet, and broad wine is harmonious, graceful, and awesomely long. Projected maturity: now-2022.

\$500

### **2004 Quilceda Creek Cabernet**

*Edward Melillo*

Opaque purple-colored, it delivers a remarkable array of aromas including pain grille, violets, pencil lead, truffle, Asian spices, black currant, and blueberry. This leads to a lustrous, layered, velvet-textured wine with gobs of spicy, ripe black fruits and beautifully integrated oak, tannin, and acidity. The long, pure finish goes on for well over a minute. It will evolve for a decade and drink well through 2045.

\$350

### **2005 Maysara Delara Pinot Noir**

*Ken Lederman*

This bottle of Delara Pinot Noir's brilliant dark ruby color is a backdrop for aromas of red raspberries, blueberries, blackberries, rose petals with a hint of soy sauce and light mocha. Elegant layers of dark chocolate, black cherries and plums are all balanced by smooth, round, fine-grained tannins for a soft lingering finish.

\$53

### **2007 J. Davies Cabernet Sauvignon**

*Janice Huseby*

Bottle of 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon that is composed of 84% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Malbec, and 4% Petit Verdot. It offers beautifully sweet black and blue fruits (particularly cassis and blueberries) interwoven with hints of Chinese black tea, incense, charcoal, and forest flora. Full-bodied with silky tannins, a terrific texture, and a stunningly long finish, this impressive 2007 can be drunk now and over the next 20-25 years.

\$83

## **2007 Les Boucs Bourres Cabernet Sauvignon**

*Rod Brown*

Bottle of Cabernet Sauvignon hand crafted by WEC President Rod Brown. A fine blend of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc, and 10% whatever else could be found.....Lovingly crafted next to Bill's Porche at Chateau Tres Tonneau in Montlake.

\$50

## **2007 Lost River Cabernet Sauvignon**

*Marc Daudon*

This wine exhibits notes of raspberries, black currants and spice. This wine will continue to improve with an additional year in bottle, and with proper cellaring will age well until at least 2015

\$24

## **2007 Robert Ramsay Cabernet Sauvignon**

*Laura Hastings*

Bottle of 2007 cabernet sauvignon from Robert Ramsay Cellars that is a moderately saturated medium red. Rather claret-like aromas of plum, smoky underbrush and tobacco, along with some positive funkiness. Sweet and broad on the palate, with more flesh to support the oak than the mourvedre is showing today. A subtle wine with a lot of personality.

\$38

## **2008 Gramercy Cellars Tempranillo**

*Becky Kelley*

Bottle of Gramercy Cellars 2008 Tempranillo. They make their Tempranillo in the traditional Spanish style, aging it for 15 months in American oak barrels which mellows it with rich vanilla creaminess. Blended with Syrah (5%) and Mourvedre (5%), they are excited by the depth and complexity of this wine.

\$45

## **2008 L'Ecole No. 41 Cabernet Sauvignon**

*Margaret Clancy*

With a classic varietal Cabernet profile, this lushly structured and integrated wine shows dark fruit, blackberry, cassis and leather aromas with flavors of ripe plum, bittersweet chocolate, and black cherry on an earthy, spicy finish.

\$29

## **2008 Ponzi Vineyards 'Tavola' Pinot Noir**

*Margaret Clancy*

This Pinot Noir is a blend from Ponzi's Aurora and Estate vineyards, along with Gran Moraine, Dion and Lazy River vineyards. This wine is made from 100 percent LIVE Certified Sustainable fruit. This perfumed nose shows vanilla, spice and red fruit leading to a mouth of warm spice notes and blueberry. The finish is long with soft tannins.

\$26

## **2008 St. Innocent Pinot Noir**

*Amy Scott*

The 2008 has red and black cherry aromas with dark floral, ground spices, pepper and a strong undercurrent of minerality. Dark red fruits on the palate and its signature clay-like earthiness, it finishes with a backbone of ripe tannins and balanced acidity. Perfect for that Porterhouse or T-bone as well as roasts and big pasta dishes. It is best if opened and decanted at least an hour before drinking. Given the ideal ripening conditions in 2008 and the inherent structure of this site, it will benefit from aging up to a decade.

\$42

## **2008 Willamette Valley Vineyards Pinot Noir**

*Rebecca Barbaree*

Bottle of Willamette Valley Vineyards 2008 Pinot Noir with bright aromas of raspberry and cherry complimented by sweet tones of brown sugar and nutmeg, as well as muskier notes of sandalwood, clove and tobacco. Opens with rich red fruit flavors of black cherry backed by a hint of sandalwood. The round mouthfeel features refined and velvety tannins and nicely balanced acidity, leading to light black pepper spice and tart strawberry on the finish.

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## **2009 Alma Rosa Winery & Vineyards Pinot Noir**

*Kathleen Fowler*

Bottle of 2009 Sta. Rita Hills, Alma Rosa Winery and Vineyards Pinot Noir. Textbook old-world varietal character, showing the brilliant, fresh, flashy side of Pinot Noir. Bright raspberry and bing cherry notes are enhanced by a sassy, spicy element and refreshing acidity.

\$32

## **2009 Solstice Vineyard Riesling**

*Pacific Rim Winery*

A half case of Pacific Rim 2009 Solstice Vineyard Riesling. This is a small crop from old vines planted in 1972- hand picked and fermented with its native yeasts. The grapes are more exposed at Solstice making the wine rich in phenolics. This wine has notes of peach and kiwi with a very subtle and delicate nose.

\$192

## **A ½ Case of Wine from Domanico Cellars**

*Domanico Cellars*

Enjoy a half case of the locally produced wine from Domanico Cellars. The selection of wines features: The 2010 Lewis Family Vineyard Riesling from the Yakima Valley. The Vineyard is mineral-driven with aromas of wet slate, fresh peaches and Fuji apples. 2010 Cabernet Franc Rose from the Stoneridge Vineyard in the Columbia Valley. The vineyard shows mineral-driven aromas of strawberries, orange zest and light spring flowers. The 2008 Le Flirt is an incredible blend. Hints of oak and a good splash of Malbec and Cabernet Franc make this a provocative flirty wine. It is a blend of 76% Merlot from Snipes Canyon Ranch and Alder Ridge Vineyards, 12% Malbec from Snipes Canyon Ranch, and 12% Cabernet Franc from Alder Ridge Vineyards.

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\$128

## **A selection of Oregon's finest Pinot Noir**

*Brendon Cechovic*

Enjoy a fabulous selection of hard-to-find Oregon Pinot Noir from the personal cellar of WCV Executive Director Brendon Cechovic. These are guaranteed to be some of Oregon's most delicious Pinot Noir's--- Brendon is an expert!

\$175

## **Ankeny Vineyard Tour and Wine Tasting for 8**

*Ankeny Vineyard Winery*

Gift Certificate for tour and wine tasting for up to 8 people at the Ankeny Vineyard in Salem, Oregon. Ankeny Vineyard is located in the heart of Oregon's Willamette Valley on the southernmost slopes of the Salem Hills. It overlooks the Ankeny National Wildlife Refuge, home to thousands of migratory waterfowl. A combination of gentle slopes and low elevations makes it one of the earliest ripening sites in the valley, resulting in extraordinary Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris grapes. Vineyard owner Joe Olexa and winemaker Andy Thomas turn out small hand-crafted batches of wine to capture the unique character, or terroir, of Ankeny Vineyard.

\$150

## **Dubindil Winery Private Wine Tasting for 12**

*Dubindil Winery*

An exclusive private wine tasting for 12 people at the boutique Dubindil Winery in Snohomish. They focus on small lot, high quality, Bordeaux and Loire-style wine.

\$100

## **Chauffered Wine Tasting in Woodinville**

*Amy Scott*

Have you ever dreamed about spending an afternoon tasting local wines in Woodinville, but wondered how to make a responsible return trip home? If so, then you will want to be the winning bidder for your own Woodinville wine Chauffeur! Your Chauffeur, WEC Board Member Amy Scott, will pick you and five friends up from one location in King County. You will head to Woodinville and various wineries. You can request an itinerary or Amy will create one for you! At the end of the day she will drive you home. What a fun (and responsible) way to enjoy a weekend afternoon and support local wine-makers!

Your tour will be on a weekend day in 2012, to be agreed upon by you and your Chauffeur, and not including the weekends of February 11, April 14, October 13, or Mother's Day or Father's Day. Please give at least one month advance notice. Wine-tasting fees are not included.

**\$300**

## **Finnriver Farm Private Tasting and Tour for up to 6 People**

*Finnriver Farm and Cidery*

Take a private tour of Finnriver Farm and Cidery with up to six of your friends. The Certified Organic family farm and Cidery is located alongside a restored salmon stream on Washington's Olympic Peninsula in Chimacum, WA. Enjoy handcrafted hard ciders and spirited fruit wines paired with local cheeses. Then tour the barn production area and walk the fields to connect to lively working land. Also enjoy 10% off any bottle purchases.

**\$150**

## **Lirac Blanc 2010, Domaine Lafond Roc-Epine**

*Nancy Hirsh*

In this bottle, we find fragrances of linden tree and white flowers, savours of citrus fruit, a frank liveliness with enough punch that when served as an aperitif, it will tantalize our taste-buds without drowning our thirst. The fragrances evolve after the first summer towards honey and acacia notes, accentuating the suppleness of the wine.

**\$17**

## **Passion for Pinot Book and Two Bottles of Pinot**

*Benton-Lane Winery*

Passion for Pinot Book accompanied by a bottle of 2009 Pinot Gris and a bottle of 2009 Estate Pinot Noir from Benton-Lane Winery in Monroe, OR. Benton-Lane has designed its own system for caring for its land which incorporates the best parts of the Sustainable, Organic and Biodynamic methods.

**\$68**

## **Private Auclair Wine Tasting for up to 8 People**

*Auclair Winery*

Auclair Winery is a small boutique winery dedicated to producing exceptional wines from some of the best vineyards in Washington. Take the trip over to Woodinville for a tasting for up to 8 people with light food pairings, tastings of all released wines and possible preview of some soon to be released wines.

**\$200**

## **Signed Bottle of 2007 Fabuloso from Isabella Grace Winery**

*Isabella Grace Winery*

Personally signed vintage bottle of the 2007 Fabulosos from Isabella Grace Winery in a wooden gift box. Barrel aged for 30 months. A blend of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot and 15% Cabernet Franc. This wine is dark red in color with aromas of red fruits, black fruits and spices. A well balanced, yet vigorous wine with a medium body and nice after taste. As with the Merlot, this wine is drinking nicely now and will continue develop over the next couple years. Bring to room temperature, remove cork and let breathe one hour before serving.

\$60

## **Wild Horse Wind Farm and Solar Project Tour and Gourmet Lunch**

*Puget Sound Energy*

A tour for six people of Puget Sound Energy's Wild Horse Wind Farm and Solar Project near Ellensburg, Washington. Also includes a catered lunch at the Wild Horse Renewable Energy Center, and 3 bottles of Wild Horse wine from the Wild Horse Winery & Vineyards on California's Central Coast. The Wild Horse Wind Power Project is PSE's largest wind farm, consisting of 149 wind turbines that generate 273 megawatts of electrical power.

\$500

## **2008 Robert Ramsay Cabernet Sauvignon**

*Robert Ramsay Cellars*

Amid dark, dense dried fruit there is a subtle minerality and dusty herb essences, indicative of the 28 year old vines of Snipes Mountain from which the wine is made. On the palate, the fruit is generous without being overly extracted and is complimented by an elegantly restrained touch of toasty oak.

\$30

## **2008 Bottle of La Ronde and Wine Tasting from Eleven Winery**

*Eleven Winery*

A magnum bottle (1.5L) of the 2008 La Ronde, plus a gift certificate for wine tasting for four at the tasting room. The La Ronde is the popular red blend, of Malbec, Syrah and Petit Verdot. Incredibly smooth and endlessly fascinating. Located on Bainbridge Island, Eleven Winery is a small, family run, winery dedicated to producing great wine, and to making sure that you have a great time drinking it!

\$100

## **1/2 Case of 2005 Red Willow Vineyard Syrah**

This Syrah has hints of bright red plums, dark berries and earth that fill the nose. The palate is filled with dark ripe fruits, smoke and black pepper followed by a rich and lengthy finish.

*Columbia Winery*

\$180

## **1/2 Case of 2006 Red Willow Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon**

This Cabernet Sauvignon is a deep garnet with ripe cherry on the nose. Ripe cherry with cassis and gloves on the palate with tobacco on the finish. A well structured wine that will pair perfectly with a grilled steak.

*Columbia Winery*

\$180