THE GRAND CRU wine club shipment - fall 2024

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Greetings from the hills above Sonoma

There is always something so enjoyable about experiencing wines at the beginning of their journey—tasting the sticky apple-cider-like juice as it's fermenting, alive with flavors that will eventually become more complex and distinct.

Very soon, almost too soon, we are plunged into the busiest season of the year—all of our hard work coming together—but it remains our favorite. As the grapes begin to come in and the

harvest progresses, the vineyard is a brilliant verdant canopy, with rich purple clusters hanging in dappled sunlight just below. The aromas of freshly crushed grapes greet you as you enter the cellar, exciting the memory of every past vintage and the anticipation of this latest harvest.

Brion's collaboration with the Nobles family near the Pacific coast saw twelve new acres of Pinot Noir planted this past year. We also began working with a new Pinot vineyard—Bootlegger's Hill in Green Valley AVA, a sub-appellation of Russian River Valley—farmed by renowned wine grower Charlie Chenoweth, with inaugural vintage anticipated next spring.

Vine grafts are taking hold on our Moon Mountain Estate in our work to steadily improve quality through experimenting with clones and rootstocks. On our newly acquired Napa Valley property, located in the Vaca Mountains east of Rutherford, we are spending time getting to know the land and the vineyards more deeply. We look forward to sharing the wines emerging from this fall's vintage in years to come.

For your fall shipments, the Cabernet Society features the 2021 release of the Napa Valley Cab, along with optimal library vintages. Grand Cru members can enjoy the exceptional 2021 Nobles Vineyard Old Vine Pinot Noir among all new releases. Our WiseGuys are receiving red varietals from our Moon Mountain Estate, including new releases of our limited production Tannat and the coveted Syrah Block I.

It is through wine that we bring people together and share the passion that drives us. We hope to inspire special moments—enjoyment at gatherings of friends and family, relaxing outdoors in fair weather or next to the fireplace in winter. Let the wine be the occasion, let the wine be the bond that is shared.

When you are in our neighborhood, we look forward to welcoming you to one of the beautiful tasting spaces where we share our wines. Please enjoy this selection in good health and with much laughter.

Colin Heinrich MANAGING DIRECTOR, SOMMELIER

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new release

PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY SONOMA COUNTY LUCKY WELL VINEYARD 2021

Lucky Well vineyard is located near the town of Occidental in the southern reaches of the Russian River drainage. Considered by some to be the premier area for Pinot Noir in the region, the vineyard lies on the backside of a coastal ridge, giving it a sweet spot of just enough exposure to Pacific breezes.

100% Pommard clone gives a classic California coastal Pinot that is round and lush. Brambly fruits of raspberry and blackberry lead the nose. Accents of pine, fern, licorice, and violets support the fruits. In the mouth, fresh berries and earth tones provide an echo of the aromatics. Fresh and clean in the mouth, the silken finish accents the red fruits.

Drink Now-2031 10 barrels produced Quantity: 2 — 750 ml bottles A Wine Club Member Exclusive

new release

PINOT NOIR - OLD VINE Fort Ross-Seaview sonoma county nobles vineyard 2021

Coastal Pinot Noir from a remote, stunning vineyard owned by the Nobles Family. Located near the historic Fort Ross, an early Russian coastal settlement dating from 1812, the vineyard lies on the interior of the second ridge from the Pacific Ocean. Marine sedimentary soils.

Classic Old Vine marked by purity, nuance, and structure. Delicate red fruits are supported with sassafras, chanterelle mushroom, and sandalwood incense notes. Further earth tones of cedar and forest floor. Full and round in the mouth, with caressing tannins and a pronounced structure. Has a youthful grip now.

Drink Now-2032 10 barrels produced Quantity: 2 — 750 ml bottles A Wine Club Member Exclusive

new release

PINOT NOIR WILLAMETTE VALLEY OREGON 2021

From two vineyards: Bramble Hill (Ribbon Ridge AVA) and Bieze (Eola-Amity Hills AVA). The Bramble Hill Vineyard fruit comprises 70% of the blend. Bramble Hill has marine sedimentary soils with Pommard and 115 clones, providing the beautiful fruit and structure. The Bieze brings roundness and a touch of spice.

More red fruits than in some past years: cranberry, sweet cherry, and raspberry. Underlying notes of white pepper, cinnamon, and toasted oak. The integrated oak tones provide further depth and texture. Fresh, with soft mouth-coating structure in the finish.

Drink Now–2034 11 barrels produced Quantity: 2 – 750 ml bottles

Perfection through patience: a love of land, a way of wine

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MOON MOUNTAIN DISTRICT EXPERIENCE

B. Wise Vineyards & Amapola Creek Winery

Embark on a comprehensive wine tasting journey, exploring the singular wines from the iron-rich soils of this historic AVA. Start your tour in the extensive B. Wise estate cave, then head up to our elegant Lodge to taste the Rhône varietals grown at Amapola Creek Winery, with the option for a fully catered luncheon. Contact us for more details or to schedule.

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2024

Look for our holiday offers with gift packs & wines for your Thanksgiving and winter festivities.