



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Happy New Year Leschi! Venture out at the end of the month to join friends and neighbors in the second annual Leschi Winter Wine Tasting. Last year was such a success, we've decided to do it again! BluWater Bistro is the place to be on the evening of Saturday, January 25th, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. The kitchen will send out a copious amount of hot snacks while you are able to sample through over 30 different wines from around the world. A special, event-only price will be offered for all wine orders placed at the event. What a tremendous opportunity to restock your holiday-decimated cellar!

Tickets (\$30) may be purchased a few different ways: in person at the event (cash only), in person at Leschi Market, or online at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/526460

Cheers to a happy and healthy 2014!

Leschi Market's Wine Department

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ON THE SHELVES look for the Violet colored tags (matching our printed Wine News). They identify the wines featured here in The Wine News.

Staff Picks

ED'S PICKS

2008 Corliss Estates Red Columbia Valley
\$69.99/\$61.99/\$55.79

2009 Mackey Concordia Columbia Valley
\$39.99/\$34.59/\$31.13

2009 Château des Roques Rouge Vacqueyras
\$22.99/\$18.69/\$16.82.

2011 Scarborough 'The Works' Red Yakima Valley
\$16.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

2010 Mas Donis Barrica Red Old Vines
Montsant Spain \$16.99/\$12.19/\$10.97

2012 Sauvion Chinon Cabernet Franc Loire Valley
\$16.99/\$9.99/\$8.99

KENNY'S PICKS

2010 Panther Creek Pinot Noir Willamette Valley
\$37.99/\$23.39/\$21.05

2010 Costavecchia Andreucci Chianti Riserva Italy
\$29.99/\$18.99/\$17.09

2010 Le Grand Sorbier Bourgogne Rouge Pinot Noir
\$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

010 Philippe Charmond Blanc Mâcon-Vergisson France
\$21.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

2012 Priore Blanco Passerina Colline Pescaresi Italy
\$12.99/\$9.99/\$8.99

LISA'S PICKS

2011 Beaux Freres Les Cousins Pinot Noir Willamette Valley
\$32.99/\$27.99/\$25.19

2010 Château La Haie Blaye Côtes de Bordeaux
\$24.99/\$21.49/\$19.34

2012 Domaine Pradelle Crozes Hermitage
\$22.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

2010 Macedon Tikves Pinot Noir Macedonia
\$21.99/\$13.09/\$11.78

2012 Domaine Labbé Jacquère Abymes Vin de Savoie France
\$12.99/\$10.69/\$9.62

Quinta de Correio Tinta Portugal NV
\$12.99/\$9.39/\$8.45



Red Wines

2010 Force Majeure Collaboration Series V Cabernet Sauvignon Ciel du Cheval Red Mountain \$80.99/\$69.99/\$62.99

“The most full-throttle of the lineup. From blocks planted in 1975 and 1982. Made by Chris Gorman, it offers up a decadent array of crème de cassis, smoked herbs, chocolate, roasted meats and freshly sharpened pencil-like qualities on the nose. Full-bodied, seamless and even elegant on the palate, yet with layers of fruit and texture, it has clean, integrated acidity, superb polish to its tannin and big minerality that emerges on the finish. Drink 2015-2028+.”

–*Wine Advocate*, 96 points, **New vintage.**

2011 Walla Walla Vintners Bello Rosso Columbia Valley \$36.99/\$30.79/\$27.71

“Opens with layers of red fruit, cherry raspberry and pomegranate. Deftly balanced with fruit. Flavors, tinted with cedar shavings and spice, carrying through its gorgeous finish. 50% Sangiovese (Kiona Vineyard), 50% Cabernet Sauvignon (Bacchus Vineyard). Aged 22 months in 30% new French oak, 70% neutral oak. 180 cases produced.”

–Winemaker notes. **New vintage.**

2010 Monte Tondo Valpolicella Ripasso Veneto \$33.99/\$28.69/\$25.82

The winery is making some of the most exciting, vibrant wines in all of Veneto. This Valpolicella is a great example; somewhere between a Ripasso and a basic Valpolicella Classico. The grapes are dried for about a month in a well ventilated “fruttai” before pressing, and ultimately aged for five months in oak. Not a frivolous wine, it packs loads of sour black cherry aromas, spices, violets and roses. **New item.**

2008 :Nota Bene Miscela Red Blend Washington \$23.99/\$19.99/\$17.99

“This wine is made from Bordeaux grapes. 47% Merlot, 38% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc and 5% Malbec. It exhibits an expressive nose of spice box, herbs, violets, black cherry and blackberry. This is followed by a succulent, spicy, black fruit flavored wine with excellent balance and a lengthy, fruit-filled finish. Drink now through 2020.” –*Wine Advocate*, 90 points. **New item.**

2012 Mark Ryan Board Track Racer ‘The Vincent’ Red Columbia Valley \$21.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

A heady blend of 60% Syrah and 40% Cabernet Sauvignon. It starts with hints of minerals, toasted oak, vanilla and chocolate followed by layers of blackberry and blueberry pie, black raspberry with notes of flint, violets, tea leaf, clove and spice. Supple tannins and refined acid create wonderful length and balance. **New vintage.**

2011 Château Foretal Moulin à Vent \$19.99/\$16.79/\$15.11

The Moulin à Vent is produced from one hectare of vines divided into two parcels. After a manual harvest, Jean-Yves carries out his semi-carbonic fermentations in stainless steel, keeping the parcels separate until an assemblage is made before bottling. Deep purple fruit profile with pleasant spice and mineral undertones. Incredible price point for Cru Beaujolais! Sustainably farmed. **New vintage.**

2011 Alexander Valley Vineyards Wetzel Family Estate Syrah Sonoma County \$23.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

“This lush wine has floral aromas of violets, black fruit and spice. There are flavors of blackberry, black cherry and vanilla with silky tannins and a long structured finish. Syrah 79%, Grenache 12%, Mourvèdre 6%, 3% Viognier.” –Winery notes. **New vintage.**

2010 Macedon Pinot Noir Tikves Macedonia \$21.99/\$13.09/\$11.78

“Sharing the same latitude band as Burgundy and Russian River Valley. The 40+ year-old vines grow where two major weather fronts collide: the Aral Mountain continental and the Greek Aegean, yielding virtually no rain and consistent wind. The result is a wine of terrific elegance and complexity, rich yet linear; pretty, but with depth and power.”

– Small Vineyards. **New vintage.**

2010 Celler de Capcanes Mas Donis Red Blend Barrica Garnacha Syrah Vinyes Velles Tarragona Spain \$16.99/\$12.19/\$10.97

“Produced from 85% Garnacha (70-year-old vines) and 15% Syrah (30-year-old vines). It is another under-the-radar wine that dramatically over-delivers. It exhibits notes of rose petals, raspberry jam, crushed rocks, spring flowers and kirsch. Stunningly rich and medium to full-bodied, with wonderful vibrancy, precision and minerality, this beauty could easily pass for a grand cru Burgundy – it’s that complex and interesting. I am blown away by what’s in the bottle, but you be the judge. A ‘baby Priorat’. Drink now through 2018.”

–*Robert Parker*, 92 points. **New vintage.**

2011 Domaine Mas de Lavail Old Vine Carignan ‘Terre d’Ardoise’ Côtes Catalanes Languedoc-Roussillon \$15.99/\$12.19/\$10.97

This wine is produced from Carignan vines that are 100 years of age on average. There is a small percentage of Grenache from old vines, as well. The wine shows aromas of dark cherries, kirsch, savory notes, earth and mushrooms. The flavors are full-bodied and lengthy, with a well-built structure and a long, succulent finish. **New vintage.**

2011 d’Arenberg The Stump Jump Red McLaren Vale Australia \$14.99/\$9.89/\$8.90

“Fresh and crisp, with a distinct mineral note weaving through the juicy plum and spice flavors, lingering pleasantly on the refined finish. Grenache, Shiraz and Mourvèdre. Drink now. Best value.”

–*Wine Spectator*, 89 points. **New vintage.**



White Wines

2012 DeLille Chaleur Estate Blanc \$38.99/\$33.59/\$30.23

“The 2012 vintage has complex aromas of sweet grasses, Bosch pears, lime citrus, pine needle sous bois (i.e., forest floor), honey suckle and fleur blanche. Accompanying these layers in the nose, there’s a developing stony minerality as well. On the palate, the structure builds to rich and unctuous flavors with vibrancy. Exotic notes of star fruit, melon, kiwi, herbs, honeycomb, toast and cream are readily apparent in the mouth. A riper Chaleur Estate Blanc, this vintage finishes with power and length. 65% Sauvignon Blanc and 35% Semillon.”

—Winemaker notes. **New vintage. Best yet!**

2011 Monte Tondo ‘Cassette Foscarin’ Soave \$26.99/\$23.39/\$21.05

What Gino Magnabosco and his daughter Marta are doing with the Garganega grape is nothing short of amazing. Winners of a Tre Bicchieri award, Monte Tondo is a true family affair that is on the cutting edge of white winemaking in Italia. This Soave is bristling and clean, flinty and fragrant, with terrific notes of granite, citrus, green apple and ripe mango. A truly wonderful wine. New item.

2011 Naked Winery Tease Riesling Rogue Valley Oregon \$19.99/\$17.39/\$15.65

“Tantalizing to the eye and playfully seductive, this Tease promises to be a sure thing. Sweet perfumes of candied melons and Brazilian spices will moisten your palate, not to mention your khakis. An innocent sip of the glass, with a skilled tongue, sparks a burning desire for the long sweet finish. We aim to Tease!” —Winery notes. **New item.**

2012 Naked Winery Foreplay Chardonnay Rogue Valley Oregon \$19.99/\$17.39/\$15.65

“Aromas of green apples with bright acidity with just a bit of coconut from the gentle touch of French oak make this foreplay ‘just right’ to enhance the natural flavors of Chardonnay. This toasty little number leaves a soft finish of ripe pear in your mouth. Light and easy, just like good Foreplay. 1,000 cases produced.” —Winery notes, **New item.**

2012 Domaine de Bernier Chardonnay Loire Burgundy \$10.99/\$9.39/\$8.45

“Full-on minerality, with a touch of lemon curd. Driven, salty, refreshing.” —Winemaker notes. “This wine, made outside of Muscadet by one of that appellation’s high quality producers, the Couillards. They do a fine job of impersonating a Chablis. There is enough Chardonnay character to please fans of that varietal, but the real hallmark of this wine is its crisp, elegant, steely, mineral, and citrusy personality. It is impossible to find a wine of this type from California, Australia, or South America.” —Robert Parker. **New vintage.**

Champagne

Vilmart Brut Champagne Grand Cellier NV \$75.99/\$61.29/\$55.16

“Vibrant, finely cut acidity structures this seamlessly integrated version, backing layered flavors of poached apple, quince, honey, candied ginger, lemon zest and crème de cassis with hints of coconut and orchard blossom. Shows lovely texture and length. Drink now through 2023. 200 cases imported. Top Wine.” —*Wine Spectator*, 95 points

Marc Hebrart Brut Rosé Champagne NV \$55.99/\$45.49/\$40.94

“Features flavors of graphite, spice, cherry paté de fruit and strawberries and cream, with hints of honey, cherry pit, almond skin and licorice, all layered with powerful acidity and chalky texture. Mouthwatering. Disgorged January 2013. Drink now through 2018.” —*Wine Spectator*, 91 points

Gaston Chiquet Brut Blanc de Blancs Champagne d’Aÿ NV \$56.99/\$45.49/\$40.94

“Crisp and floral, this is lightly chalky in texture, showing purity to the flavors of Fuji apple, ripe green pear, candied ginger, with a subtly smoky mineral layer. Light-bodied, offering good intensity. Disgorged May 2011. Drink now through 2018.” —*Wine Spectator*, 91 points

R. H. Coutier Ambonnay Grand Cru Champagne NV \$49.99/\$39.39/\$35.45

The Coutier family has been in the village of Ambonnay since 1619. They still sell off approximately 80% of their production to other houses, keeping the finest fruit for their own cuvées. 60% Pinot Noir and 40% Chardonnay. The Champagne house of R. H. Coutier is one of the finest in Ambonnay, and is a wonderful introduction to the magic of grand cru bubbly in the heart of the Montagne de Reims.



Always at Leschi Market, mix and match any six bottles of wine for a 10% discount.

Best Sellers At Leschi Market

WHITE WINES

1. 2012 Oisly et Thesee 'Les Gourmets' Sauvignon Blanc
\$9.99/\$7.49/\$6.74
2. 2012 Wente Vineyards Riva Ranch Chardonnay
\$24.99/\$14.99/\$13.49
3. 2012 The Crossings Sauvignon Blanc Marlborough New Zealand
\$18.99/\$9.99/\$8.99
4. 2012 Domaine Talmard Macon Chardonnay France
\$12.99/\$10.29/\$9.26
5. 2012 Domaine des Lauriers Rolle Pays D'Oc \$14.99/\$11.19/\$10.07
6. 2012 Henri Bourgeois Les Baronnes Sancerre France
\$26.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

RED WINES

1. Estrella Reserve Red Lot #3 California NV \$7.99/\$4.69/\$4.22
2. 2011 Excelsior Cabernet Sauvignon South Africa \$14.99/\$7.79/\$7.01
3. 2011 Pendulum Red Wine Columbia Valley \$27.99/\$13.99/\$12.59

4. 2012 Tamarack Cellars Firehouse Red Columbia Valley
\$22.99/\$14.99/\$13.49

5. 2008 Foundry Vineyards Fire Red Walla Walla Valley
\$20.99/\$17.79/\$16.01

6. 2011 Cannonball Cabernet Sauvignon California
\$20.99/\$12.99/\$11.69

WINES OVER \$15

1. 2008 Foundry Vineyards Fire Red Walla Walla Valley
\$20.99/\$17.79/\$16.01

2. 2011 L'Ecole No. 41 Red Wine Columbia Valley
\$23.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

3. NV Domaine J. Laurens Cremant de Limoux Brut
\$21.99/\$15.89/\$14.30

4. 2012 Henri Bourgeois Les Baronnes Sancerre France
\$26.99/\$18.69/\$16.82

5. NV Roederer Estate Sparkling Brut \$29.99/\$19.99/\$17.99

6. 2012 Sonoma Cutrer Russian River Ranches Chardonnay California
\$24.99/\$19.69/\$17.72

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