

Greetings!

Time for a few tasty Spanish Wines here at Santiam Wine Company! Please join us. Bring your friends they will love you more! If you have never attended a wine tasting here at Santiam Wine CO. I want you to know we are not wine snobs! We just like to enjoy good wine. We also like to meet new people and you may even meet new friends. You can also attend solo and feel good about it. It is a win-win wine tasting!!!

1. **Where: Santiam Wine Company**
2. **When: Friday, January 9th**
3. **Time: 5ish-7ish**
4. **Cost: \$22 for all six wines...You can sink your teeth into!**

Here are our irresistible wines:

2007 Tres Picos Old Vine Grenacha \$17.50 solo

Inky ruby. Highly complex bouquet of cherry, dark berry liqueur, iron, tobacco and dried flowers; reminded me a wine from Graves. Tangy cherry and cassis flavors are on the primal side initially but soften and gain sweetness with air. Fine tannins add grip to the long, spicy finish, which repeats the iron note. This is very promising. **90 Points Stephen Tanzer**

2006 Juan Gil Monastrell \$16.50

100% monastrell... Dark purple. Spicy blackberry and cassis on the nose. Refreshingly bitter cherry and dark berry skin flavors are brightened by zesty minerality and firmed by dusty tannins, picking up subtle iron and graphite qualities with air. Finishes with very good focus and youthful grip, the cherry note repeating. I like this wine's energy. **90 Points Stephen Tanzer**

2004 Sierra Cantabria Crianza Rioja \$22.

Deep red. Gamey red and dark berry aromas are complemented by smoked meat, tobacco and baking spices. Fleeshy and sweet, with vibrant raspberry and cherry flavors and dusty tannins. The meaty note gains strength with air and carries through the long, chewy finish. This is complex enough to drink now. **90 Points Stephen Tanzer**

2005 Bodegas Condado de Haza Ribera del Duero \$30.

Inky violet. Perfumed, pure red and dark berry aromas are brightened by zesty minerality. Taut, youthfully firm raspberry and bitter cherry flavors offer excellent cut and thrust. Finishes with suave tannins and outstanding persistence. Impressively balanced and much more about delicacy and insinuation than power. An understated, elegant wine that really clings to the palate. **92 Points Stephen Tanzer**

2001 Luis Canas Rioja Reserva Seleccion de la Familia \$34.00

Based on 85% Tempranillo Medium red. Warm cherry-cola, pipe tobacco and woodsmoke on the nose, with subtle vanilla and herbal qualities adding complexity. Chewy red and dark berry flavors are firmed by dusty tannins and gain sweetness with air. This possesses very good depth and power, finishing with candied flower and smoky herb notes. Serve it with a simple, grilled steak. **91(+?) points Stephen Tanzer**

JUST RELEASED! Always Incredible!

2006 Bodegas Alto Moncayo Alto Moncayo Campo de Borja \$48.

Deep ruby with a bright rim. Impressively complex, seductive bouquet of dark berry preserves, tobacco, graphite and smoky Indian spices. Pliant black raspberry and candied cherry flavors

are enlivened by zesty minerals and firmed by fine-grained tannins. An exotic floral pastille quality emerges with air and carries into the finish, which is strikingly sweet, lively and persistent. **93 Points Stephen**

**Don't miss Saturday, January 10th from 12-4 Wine tasting all 12 Cheap & Cheerful wines for January will be available to taste! Store Hours on Saturday are 10-6PM
Attached is the January, White Cheap & Cheerful talker sheet & January Newsletter**

Happy New Year!

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