

Good Evening. Is the chilly wet weather keeping you home in front of the fire? Well, hopefully the tasting tomorrow night will bring you in!

Don't miss this big red wine tasting of wonderful Washington Red Wines from the acclaimed 2007 vintage in Washington State. Make your dinner reservation for for after the tasting and bring your sweetheart to this stellar wine tasting!

Cost: \$23 for the first 5 pours.... add \$5.00 for the super (optional) \$28. Total! Remember you can share!

Time: 4-7 pm

Here are the wines:

2007 Five Star Cellars Walla Walla Valley Sangiovese \$30 Vineyards: 48% Blue Mountain, 30% Pepperbridge, 22% Seven Hills The heady scent of blackberry and a hint of tobacco leaf are followed by rich dried fruit flavors. Nice acidity with good balance, a great food wine.

2007 Trust Cellars Syrah \$30

Syrah from Lewis Vineyard in Prosser provides the backbone of blueberry with Portteus Vineyard in Zilah bringing the pepper. A small amount of Syrah from Sundance Vineyard on the Wahluke Slope brings some structure. This Syrah was produced with minimal intervention. Soft hand punchdowns keep the tannins low. The wine was only racked a few times and was not filtered or fined.

2007 L'Ecole No 41 Seven Hills Merlot \$33.

The 2007 Merlot Seven Hills Estate has an expressive bouquet of toasty oak, cinnamon, clove, cassis, and black cherry. Dense and rich on the palate, this layered effort exhibits both power and elegance. Impeccably balanced, it will continue to blossom for several more years and provide a drinking window extending from 2011 to 2022. 91 Points Robert Parker

2007 Soos Creek Ceil du Cheval \$34.

Wine Enthusiast March, 2010: "[2007 Ceil du Cheval Vineyard Red Wine](#) - Mostly Cabernet Sauvignon, with 18% Cab Franc and 9% Merlot, this is sculpted with refined refined dark fruits, streaks of mineral, coffee, iron and earth, and a compelling density. Editor's Choice, 93 points

2007 DeLille Cellars D-2 \$42.

The bouquet of the deeply violet-colored 2007 D2 jumps out of the glass with plums, rainier cherries, vanilla, spiced currents, caramel, tobacco, and a touch of toasted coconut flakes. This wine is rich on the palate with D2's trademark lush mouth feel and tones of dark fruits, mocha, and an assortment of baking spices. Another winner from a perennial favorite.

Super Pour \$5.00 Optional

2007 Woodward Canyon Artist Cellars \$46.00

Vineyards: Champoux Vineyard (79%), Sagemoor Vineyard (20%) and Woodward Canyon Estate Vineyard (1%)

Vintage Specific Characteristics:

The 2007 vintage was fabulous for "Artist Series", nicer even than the fantastic 2006. We achieved perfect ripening with physiological maturity achieved through shoot thinning, leaf stripping, and green harvesting and generally improved cultural practices throughout the vineyards. All fruit was in by the third week of October.

This Cabernet Sauvignon was fermented in very small stainless steel tanks and was punched down or pumped over twice a day. Aging in French Chateaux barrels has produced a well proportioned, complex and generous red wine. Of our own doing, we have chosen to back off on the use of new oak in this wine as these vineyards have gotten older allowing them to express a sense of place.

