

We have sunshine! Kind of chilly though. Tomorrow night we are tasting California Cabernet/blends here at Santiam Wine Co. Please join us. The cost got a little high so I am bringing back the super pour tonight, meaning the Caymus is optional!

First five wines: \$26 1/2 pour \$15 (one ounce of the first five)

Super pour add \$8 Full pour \$34 (2 ounces of all six)

Gather your buddies and come on down...we have two more tasting here on Commercial St! Crazy!!!

Here is our smashing line-up:

2006 William Hill Cabernet Sauvignon \$25

2006 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon shows concentrated red and dark berry aromas with hints of raspberry, dark cherry, blackberry, and blueberry. These aromas extend to the palate along with notes of jam with dark olive, sweet vanilla, and dark chocolate. The integrated tannins and concentrated flavors of this wine continue into an intense, lush red berry and dark chocolate finish.

2007 Ramey Claret Napa Valley, CA. \$40

The 2007 Claret, which is Ramey's easiest to drink and appreciate wine, is a seductive blend of primarily Cabernet Sauvignon with some Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Malbec included. Its dense ruby/purple hue is followed by a velvety textured, plush, round, generous wine with lots of texture and fruit. This high quality effort should be drunk over the next decade. **91 Points Robert Parker**

2008 Darioush Caravan Cabernet Sauvignon \$42.50 almost sold out...

A terrific bargain in Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, this blend of 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot, and the rest equal parts Petit Verdot and Malbec offers a subtle toasty oak note intermixed with espresso roast, chocolate, black currants, and black cherries. It possesses soft, velvety tannins, medium to full body, and beautiful purity, texture, and length. Approachable now, it should evolve easily for 15 or more years.

2008 Jack Nicklaus Cabernet Sauvignon \$40

The Cabernet Sauvignon is a brilliant garnet color in the glass with aromas of blackberry, red plum and notes of cedar. It's full bodied and rich with intense, layered mocha and red current flavors with undertones of sweet spice. The concentrated mid-palate glides into a long and lingering finish.

2007 Ladera Howell Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon \$65

A tour de force Cabernet. Dense, plush, rich and concentrated, with wall-to-wall flavors, offering layers of black cherry, black currant, black licorice, mineral and graphite. Full-bodied and tightly wound with firm tannins, yet finishes with a mix of juicy berry and mineral flavors. Drink now through 2020. **94 Points Wine Spectator**

2008 Caymus Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon \$75

Openly fruity, rich, lush and layered, serving up a complex mix of plum, blackberry, black licorice and spices. Full-bodied and supple-textured, ending with a long, persistent finish that keeps repeating the core flavor themes. Drink now through 2018. **93 Points Wine Spectator**

Cheers!

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