Good Evening, Join us at Santiam Wine & Bistro for a kick-it-up-a-notch Zinfandel tasting on Friday, , May 17th from 4-8 PM

Dinner special Double cut bone in Prime Pork Chops, Dreamy Scalloped potaoes, Smashed Peas.

Reservations welcome: 504-589-0775

Full pour : \$30 Half Pour \$17

The Wines:

2017 Rombauer Zinfandel Napa Valley Zinfandel \$34 Our classic California Zinfandel is dark purple-ruby, with a bright crimson hue. On the nose, concentrated aromas of blackberry and raspberry meld with clove and spice. Lush flavors of raspberry, blackberry jam, plums and vanilla flood the palate, followed by touches of white pepper in the background. Plush and round tannins and great length make for a fresh and enticing finish.

2014 Seghesio Rockpile Zinfandel \$36 Medium to deep garnet in color, the 2014 Zinfandel Rockpile offers expressive preserved plums, blueberry pie and blackberry preserves notes over hints of mincemeat, potpourri and Sichuan pepper. The full-bodied, concentrated palate offers generous black fruit preserves and peppery flavors, with a chewy frame and lively finish 92 Points Wine Advocate

2016 Frank Family Zinfandel Napa Valley \$40 A robust, fruit-forward wine with plenty of ripeness, the 2016 Napa Valley Zinfandel offers perfumed aromatics of savory spices and dark coffee. Brambly blackberry, black cherry, and peppery cinnamon intermingle on the full-bodied palate. The right amount of acid and tannin balance out the concentrated palate, leading to a long finish.

2017 Mount Peak Rattle Snake Zinfandel \$40 Take, for example, the 2014 Zinfandel Rattlesnake, a blend of 96% Zinfandel and 4% Petite Sirah with 85% from the Monte Rosso Vineyard and the balance from other Gallo vineyards. It is aged in all French oak, of which 23% is new. A whopper at 16% natural alcohol, the wine has classic Zinfandel characteristics of Provençal spices, roasted herbs, pepper and oodles of briary black raspberry and black cherry fruit. It cuts a big swath across the palate with loads of glycerin and an unctuous, thick, juicy quality that is provocative. The wine is rich, ripe and ideal for drinking over the next 7-8 years. **92 Points Wine Advocate**

2016 Ancient Peaks Zinfandel Paso Robles, CA \$20 The 2016 Zinfandel is a rich, full-bodied but succulent wine, laden with aromas and flavors of brambly fruit, sweet spices and dark chocolate. Enjoy this nicely balanced, generous red over the next 2-3 years. 90 Points Wine Advocate

2016 Cline Ancient Vines Zinfandel \$16 Lively and supple, with floral raspberry and fresh pepper aromas and sleekly appealing cherry and licorice flavors that glide lightly along the finish. Drink now through 2022. 91 Points Wine Spectator Best Value Ranked Number 40 out of 100 in the Top 100 from the Wine Spectator

Saturday: Leftovers and Deluxe Cheese Burgers w/Truffle Fries -oh my!

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