Please join us at Santiam Wine Company for our Cabernet Franc Wine Tasting!

Friday August 21st from 4-7pm Cost: \$25. Remember - you can share! Cheese, Olive Oil, Spinach Dip and bites of great Rustic French Baguette included!

Here are the wines:

2008 Domaine des Roches Neures Saumur Champigny Loire Valley, France \$17.50

2007 Domaine De La Chanteleuserie Bourgueil Cabernet Franc \$16.50

Kermit Lynch Import- new arrival

2006 Tamarack Cabernet Franc Walla Walla, WA \$26

Elegant with spiced cherry, blackberry and boysenberry mingling pleasingly and lingering seductively with a hint of oak, smooth chocolate and mocha on the structured tannins and fine-grained finish.

2006 Cougar Crest Estate Walla Walla Cabernet Franc \$38.50

Previous vintage tasting notes: **Cougar Crest Cabernet Franc received 93 points from Wine Spectator,** Wine Spectator says: "Supple, plush and generous with its gorgeous blueberry and currant fruit, shaded with mocha and black pepper nuances as the finish lingers enticingly. This has great stature and plenty of personality. Drink now through 2013

2007 Owen Roe Rosa Mystica Yakima Valley Cabernet Franc \$40.

The cooler fall of 2007 was perfect for producing a quintessential vintage of our Rosa Mystica Cabernet Franc. The fruit was sourced entirely from Red Willow Vineyard, located in the far reaches of western Yakima Valley where moderate temperatures preserved beautiful aromatics as the fruit ripened. This Rosa Mystica has elements of Old World charm and fragrance, yet its bright berry and plush richness is all New World. With all the hallmarks of a world class Cabernet Franc, its ripeness and power do not overshadow the delicacy of its cedar fragrance, olive and beautiful berry fruit. ~Perfect~

2005 Robert Keenan Cabernet Franc Napa Valley \$60.

Keenan has done a fabulous job with the 2005 Cabernet Franc, a varietal that excels on Spring Mountain. A beautiful nose of menthol, black raspberries, blueberries, and flowers is followed by a fabulously intense yet light on its feet, wine. Medium-bodied with excellent fruit and palate penetration, it never seems to tire or become overbearing. This is a gorgeously pure, lovingly textured effort to drink over the next 10-15 years. 94 Points Robert Parker

Previously recommended: 2004 Cabernet Franc (94), 2004 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve (94+), 2004 Merlot Reserve Mailbox Vineyard (91), 2004 Mernet Reserve (95).

Cheers!

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