Please add this great Oregon wine tasting to your schedule! Here at Santiam Wine Company and be sure to tell your friends! We now serve excellent small plates including a new Oregon bay shrimp salad (fresh daily from FITTS)! You could make a great meal from our small plates! Take Friday night off and let us serve you...

Where: Santiam Wine CompanyWhen Friday, September 16th

• Time: 4-7 PM

• Wine tasting Cost: \$18. 1/2 pour \$!0

The Wines: Great values!

2009 Andrew Rich Prelude \$21.

Rating 94 Points from the Portland Monthly

This bottle is Andrew Rich's flagship pinot noir, a barrel selection from his cellar. The wine shows poise and complexity that reflect his (rather mysterious) personality, with layers of black cherries, plum, and a hint of spice.

2009 Cameron Dundee Hills Oregon Pinot Noir \$25.

Following the 2009 Willamette Valley rendition of this variety which disappeared in 4 weeks, we do not expect the Dundee Hills Pinot to last long. 2009 was a warm, bountiful year and while many producers have given the market high alcohol, overripe fruit bombs, you will not find that in any 2009 Pinot noirs from Cameron. Deep roots without irrigation is the key: these vines have far less leaf canopy and fewer stomata for gas exchange so that significantly less sugar is produced over the course of the ripening season. Add to that the higher elevation of our Abbey Ridge Vineyard and you have before you a wine of elegance and grace (13.0% alcohol), luscious black cherry aromas and mouth-watering texture. Bottled in late March and offered at around \$25 per bottle, you will be impressed. 550 cases produced.

2010 Bergstrom Old Stones \$26.50 Just released and drinking beautifully! DR

2008 Illahe Reserve Pinot Noir \$34. Excellent!

The Reserve was just bottled after 18 months in the barrel. A blend of the best lots of the vintage are smooth and round on the palate and offer deep fruit and delicate baking spice aromas. The age-worthy tannins and acid will allow the wine, raised in 45% new oak, to benefit from many more years in the bottle.

Cheers!

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