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Another exciting tasting for you here at Santiam Wine & Bistro

Cabernet Sauvignon from around the globe!

Super fun!

When: Friday, September 22nd

Time: 4-8 PM

Cost: Full pour \$36 Half Pour: \$20

Our comfort food pairing: Beef Stronganoff.

If you would like to reserve a spot call 503-589-0775

2012 Domus Aurea Cabernet Sauvignon Santiago, Chile \$62

Even if the year has a reputation for being too warm and produced very ripe wines, the 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Domus Aurea showed very good freshness. It's a year of tremendous concentration but overall keeping the character of the place, which to me is the signature of this wine. It's always intensely balsamic, powerful and elegant, with notes of wild herbs and flowers. 19,369 bottles were filled in March 2014. **94 + Points Wine Advocate**

2014 Joseph Phelps Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley, CA \$75

Phelps is now producing three cuvées of Cabernet Sauvignon – their Napa Valley, their flagship proprietary red Bordeaux blend called Insignia (which they debuted in 1974), and their Oakville steep hillside vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon called Backus. The basic Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Napa is 84% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Merlot and the rest Petit Verdot, Malbec and Cabernet Franc. It saw 18 months in a combination of both French and American casks. This is their biggest cuvée (27,000 cases) and it is a beauty. The 2014 is supple, with silky tannins, dark plum, blackcurrant and licorice-infused fruit with a touch of spice, a lushness on the attack and mid-palate, and a silky finish. This wine was meant for early drinking, but there is no doubt it has the concentration and overall balance to age nicely for 15-20 years. **92 Points Wine Advocate**

2012 Chateau Haut-Beausejour St Estephe Bordeaux, France \$35

The 2012 Haut-Beausejour is gorgeous. Blue and black stone fruits, crème de cassis, lavender, sage, mint, tobacco and spices flesh out in a dark, sensual wine built on texture and resonance. One of the clear overachievers in this vintage, the Haut-Beausejour impresses for its balance and class, especially at this level. This plump, juicy Saint Estèphe is a great choice for drinking over the next few years. **93 points Wine Advocate**

2014 Ehlers St Helena Cabernet Napa Valley, CA \$58

Ehlers Estate has 39 acres of vineyard land that is farmed biodynamically by winemaker Kevin Morrissey and vineyard manager Francisco Vega. The terrain is gently sloped, and the property is divided into 24 individual blocks. Ehlers Estate is a "not-for-profit" winery and is held in trust for the Leducq Foundation. Jean and Sylviane Leducq established the trust in 1996 to fund the Foundation, which supports international cardiovascular research. The estate vineyards were replanted in 1995 and are now 100% organic. Producer Taste Note: "A full-bodied, heavyweight Cabernet Sauvignon from the loamy benchland soils of our estate vineyard. Focused acid, silky soft tannins, and a touch of spice emerge from the mid-palate. Compelling and complex, this is a fine Bordeaux-style Cabernet blend that will age for decades."

2014 Gramercy Lower East Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley, WA \$23

Coming from the Columbia Valley, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Lower East from Gramercy is a polished, classv Cabernet Sauvignon that has lots of spice box black currants and dried herbs in a sunnle rounded

cracy Cabernet Sauvignon that has lots of spice box, black currants and dried herbs in a cuppie, rounder, delicious and textured style. It's ideal for drinking over the coming 5-7 years. **91 Points Wine Advocate**

2015 Vina Cobos "Felino Cabernet Sauvignon Argentina \$18

The 2015 Felino Cabernet Sauvignon mixes fruit from Luján de Cuyo with some 25% from the Valle de Uco. It fermented in stainless steel tanks with full natural malolactic. Ten percent of the wine matured in new American oak barrels and was bottled one year after the harvest. This is very fruit-driven, fresh and clean, with very little influence from the oak, very drinkable and fresh. There's good purity of fruit, very fine tannins and a soft texture, avoiding any over-ripeness without sacrificing depth. I was impressed. They are picking slightly earlier and using oak more judiciously. **89 Points Wine Advocate**

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