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Here we go again! Christmas, hard to believe it is here so soon! We want to help you through the season! Since wine is the perfect gift, we can help! So, please keep us in mind throughout the month. We can tissue wrap, tie a bow, recommend, special order, ship wine, write gift certificates, dance, hoho... ♪sing, falalala & deliver locally. You may consider adding a Santiam Wine Gift Certificate to your Christmas wish list! And, for goodness' sake, don't miss the exciting wine tastings this month: only one Wednesday, but every Friday! It's a great way to entertain your house guests. By the way, the Cheap & Cheerful Six packs this month are awesome! Stock up, you'll be glad you did... One more thing: Please visit www.santiamwine.com; we are up and running. Send a link to all your friends! Happy Holidays!

Best Regards, Debbie

**December, 2008
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Debbie's Recommended ho ho ho Wines

STORE HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 11AM - 6PM

SATURDAY: 10AM - 6PM

TASTING HOURS

EVERY FRIDAY THIS MONTH:

'TIL 7PM

THE ONLY WEDNESDAY TASTING:

DEC 31ST

REGULAR WEDNESDAY TASTINGS

WILL RESUME IN JANUARY

CLOSED ON

DEC 25TH: CHRISTMAS DAY

JAN 1-5: HAPPY NEW YEAR!

COMPLIMENTARY WINE

**TASTINGS EVERY
SATURDAY!**

Cremant de Loire Brut Rose, Baumard \$25

Composed entirely of cabernet franc -- which is unusual -- the Baumard Rose Brut Extra delivers an utterly dry, restrained fruitiness with notes of red currants. The delicate pale salmon hue is textbook-perfect. Beautifully packaged in a clear bottle with a matte finish and silver label that simply says "Rose Brut Extra Baumard," it's uncommonly elegant-looking. Enjoy with your holiday meal.

2007 Brick House Cuvee Ribbon Ridge, OR \$25

"It is a blend of Dijon and Pommard clones from various blocks of the estate and it has amazing aromas and flavors of sweet, dark cherries, dark plums and a touch of spice that reminded me of white pepper. Very elegant stuff but it

still maintains some nice tannic structure." Matt Kramer. Try it while you can, because... **this wine is only available here at Santiam Wine Company in Salem!**

2007 Sarocco Mascato D' Asti, Italy: \$15

"The 2007 Moscato d' Asti offers an exciting array of lime peel, pears, green apples, flowers and minerals in a focused, incredibly pure style. The wine possesses gorgeous length and phenomenal balance. This is what top-flight Moscato is all about. Anticipated maturity: 2008." **90 Points, Wine Advocate**

Looking for a great hostess gift or Christmas gift? We have in stock several of the Wine Spectator Top 100 wines, balsamic vinegar, olive oils, attractive leather wine bags and much more! Stop by and get your shopping completed in one stop!

* NEWLY ARRIVED: WINE TAGS FOR YOUR WINE CELLAR!

- * ITALIAN & SPANISH OLIVE OILS (STOP BY FOR A TASTE!)
- * MALETTI BALSAMIC VINEGAR (TO DIE FOR!)
- * DRIPLESS POUR SPOUTS * GIFT BASKETS * GIFT BAGS
- * SHIPPING BOXES

WINE TASTING SCHEDULE

Please mark your calendar!

FRIDAY, DEC. 5TH 5-7 PRICE TBD
Six of Wine Spectator's Top 100.

SATURDAY, DEC. 6TH 12-4 FREE!
All twelve wines from the Cheap & Cheerful Six-pack for December!

FRIDAY, DEC. 12TH 5-7 PRICE TBD
Champagne! Bring your friends & family for a toast to the holiday season! Special hors d' Oeuvres tonight!

SATURDAY, DEC. 13TH 12-4 FREE!
Sweet & Sticky Wines...

FRIDAY, DEC. 19TH 5-7 PRICE TBD
Cabernet Sauvignon. Only the best will do!

SATURDAY, DEC. 20TH 12-4 FREE!
Ewald Mosler and his German Wines.

DEC. 24TH OPEN! 10AM-4PM

DEC. 25TH CLOSED! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

DEC. 26TH OPEN! 1-7PM

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26TH 5-7 PRICE TBD
Wine tasting tonight: a taste of Italy! Wines of Piedmonte. Top producers and great vintages! Bring your house guests and let us entertain you!

SATURDAY, DEC. 27TH OPEN! FROM 12-6PM
Tasting is its normal time: 12-4.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST 5-7PM
A New Years Eve toast with bubbly. Lots of bubbly! Start your night here!

JAN. 1-5 CLOSED! HAPPY NEW YEAR!

- * WINE SPEC., WINE ENTHUSIAST MAGAZINES & WINE PRESS NW
- * DECORATIVE PEWTER BOTTLE STOPPERS
- * CASINA ROSSO BLACK TRUFFLE SEASALT
- * THE VACUVIN WINE SAVER (PUMP & 1 CORK)
- * WE SHIP WINE TO WHEREVER WE CAN! * GIFT CERTIFICATES

The December Red Cheap & Cheerful 6-pack: \$70.75

There are new and exciting wines from California, France, Spain, Argentina and Washington in this month's hand-picked Red Cheap & Cheerful. The price reflects 10% off if you buy the following six wines — your reward for trusting me. These wines are easy, ready and waiting for you to pick-up! Get one of each and be stocked-up!

~ Shop local and save on time & money. We also, ship! Shop Santiam for wines you can count on to please you and your pocketbook. We'll tie on a free bow for under the Christmas tree, just ask!

2003 Martin Ray Merlot, Napa Valley: \$11.50

Dare to drink Merlot! This wine has complex aromas of raspberry, blackberry and Carob mixed with cedar spice. Aged to perfection and usually sales for \$20. Enjoy the smooth and silky in texture. This is a great bargain and a special treat **only Santiam Wine customers** are going to enjoy!

2006 Bodegas Arzuaga "La Planta" Tempranillo, Ribera Di Duero, Spain: \$14

A deep ruby red, this Ribera del Duero has bright aromas of red berry, spice and bacon. The palate has loads of raspberry and cherry with pleasant tannins and balanced oak. Though medium bodied, this is a wonderfully flavorful wine.

2006 Water Brook Melange, WA: \$13

Aromas of cedar, spice and dark stone fruit are a warm welcome. Black cherry and plum notes marry with delicious flavors of dark chocolate and toasted oak. Balanced tannins and lingering fruit round out the finish.

2007 Domaine Rouge-Blue Vin de Pays: \$14

From the French Mediterranean this lovely wine shines with tons of interesting smooth flavors. Made from 35 year old Grenache and 55 year old Carignan. A steal for under \$15. This will match up well with your red meat dishes.

2006 Durigutti Malbec Mendoza, Argentina: \$13

Purple in color, with oaky aromas manifested in the form of sawdust, cinnamon and chocolate. Ripe berry and plum notes carry the toasty palate, and the finish comes back with additional chocolate, toast and vanilla. Rich and solid. YUM!

2005 Lafage Cote Sud, Southern France: \$13

Syrach-based (10% each Grenache and Cabernet). Intense aromas of plum paste, cherry, iodine and herbs lead into a richly-fruited, deeply mineral, dynamic palate with layering and interplay of black chocolate, lavender, licorice, cherry preserves, singed meat, salts and iodine. A wine this rich and complex, and with a finish this long, takes on an aura of unreality when one sees the price! This wine can age for several years. Enjoy with a hardy stew! Comfort food for comfort wine!

December White ho-ho-ho Cheerful 6-pack: \$69.

- 2007 Sweet Cheeks Estate Riesling, Crow, Oregon: \$12.50 (Delicious!)
 - 2006 Domaine de la Mavette Cote de Rhone Blanc, France: \$11.00 (Great mouth feel!)
 - 2006 Nugan Chardonnay, Australia: \$11 (Very nice!)
 - 2007 Mauros Entre-deux-mers, France: \$13 (Perfect!)
 - 2007 Can Felix Parellada, Spain: \$14.50 (Gravely!)
 - 2007 Shy Chenin Horse Heaven Hill Chenin Blanc: \$14.50 (Lemon Curd-excellent!)
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