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Friday, January 12th TWO TASTINGS: Port and Zinfandel. Your Choice!

Great weather for Port they will taste great, not all enjoy port! We decided to give you an option

When Friday, January 12th

Time: 4-8 PM

Our dinner special will go with both tastings! Pan seared Hanger steak with a Gorgonzola butter sauce, fanned Yukon gold potatoes, yellow squash & mushroom saute

Cost for Zinfandel Full pour \$28 Half pour \$16

The Wines:

2014 Old Ghost Zinfandel Lodi CA \$40 While quite ripe and fruity, this wine is also dry, nicely tannic and firmly textured, so it will pair beautifully with rich proteins. Aged 18 months in oak, mostly French, it has concentrated dark fruit aromas, and a layered array of flavors that recalls blueberry, dark chocolate and blackberry syrup. Bright acidity keeps everything in balance. **92 Points Wine Enthusiast**

2013 Elyse Zinfandel Morisoli Zinfandel \$38 The 2013 Morisoli Zinfandel is aromatically teasing with scents of crushed berries, violets, bacon, and cinnamon. It is lush all the way across the palate with bright but deep flavors of raspberry, blackberry, and cassis with a creamy texture and ripe, leathery sweet tannins.

2013 Bucklin Old Hill Ranch "Ancient Vine" Zinfandel \$38 A distinctive blend, with a rustic personality and notes of black licorice, white pepper and smoky herbs that linger toward briary tannins. Zinfandel, Grenache, Alicante Bouschet, Peloursin and others. Drink now through 2026. 512 cases made. 89 Pints Wine Spectator

2015 Marietta Roman Zinfandel Blend \$21 A blend of 84% Zinfandel, 11% Petite Sirah and 5% Barbera, aged for 12 months in neutral barrels, the 2015 Zinfandel Roman sports a deep garnet-purple color and nose of black plums, blackberries and licorice with touches of tar, charcoal, salami and Indian spices. Full-bodied with firm, slightly rustic tannins, it offers great fruit expression in the mouth with freshness and purity coming through on the long finish. **90 Points Wine Spectator**

2013 Easton Amador County Zinfandel \$17 A lively Zin, focused and sleek, with floral raspberry and fresh loam aromas. Vibrant flavors agilely balance bright acidity and ripe tannins, plus accents of white pepper and anise. Drink now through 2021. **90 Points Wine Spectator**

2015 Pedrocelli "Mother Clone" Zinfandel Dry Creek \$17 A big, burly red, with potent blackberry, smoked pepper and licorice flavors. Drink now through 2022 **88 Points Wine Spectator**

Five Ports'

1oz pour of each \$15 Port

2011 Pocas Vintage Port \$62

An explosive aroma of flowers and fruit leads to lithe, almost delicate flavors of red plum, raspberry and wild cherry, featuring enticing peppery notes. Reveals moderate grip on the finish. Best from 2020 through 2045. 94 Points Wine Spectator

2011 Dow's LBV \$25

A floral aroma leads to sinewy flavors of red plum, raspberry and dark cherry that lengthen out midpalate, with a creamy texture. Milk chocolate details emerge on the finish. Drink now through 2019 90 Points Wine Spectator

Heitz Cellars Ink Grade Port Napa Valley \$39

"Rich and full-bodied with a wonderfully balanced sweetness. Heitz Ink Grade Port has been a customer

favorite since they introduced it in 1994

The lush, fruitiness of this wine comes from a blend of eight classic Portuguese varieties. Our winemaker has combined several vintages to achieve an outstanding depth of dark berry flavors with smooth notes of honey. Grapes Touriga Nacional, Tinta Roriz, Sauzao, Tinta Cao, Tinta Bairrada, Tinta Madeira, Tinta Amarela and Bastardo” The Winery Notes

2011 Graham’s LBV \$30

A fruity style, with concentrated flavors of dark cherry, plum tart and crushed violet, supported by fresh acidity. Chocolate and licorice details show on the finish. Drink now.

90 Points Wine Spectator

2012 Quinta Do Crasto LBV \$24

Deep purple in color. The LBV 2012 has a nose with pronounced aroma intensity., showing fresh notes of wild berry fruit and delicate hints of cocoa. The palate has an elegant start that leads to a solid structure made with wild berry fruit aromas. This is an engaging wine that finished with great freshness and persistence.

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