

VINTNERS CLUB

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TASTING #1,471: PREMIUM CENTRAL COAST PINOT NOIRS (SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS, SANTA MARIA VALLEY, SANTA RITA HILLS & PASO ROBLES)

WITH

VISIONARY VITICULTURIST GARY PISONI

6:30 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2008

at

The Carnelian Room, located on the 52nd floor of the Bank of America Building
555 California Street, San Francisco

For over 20 years, Gary Pisoni has produced Pinot Noir grapes for premium California vintners, gaining world-wide recognition for his uncompromised practices and exceptional fruit. He will join us on April 7 when we will taste, in *blind-conditions* (meaning that you will not know which wine is in which glass until the results of the tasting are announced), 12 of the finest current releases from California's Central Coast. Some of these wines are not available at retail vendors--- they have been specially selected for our tasting, and their flavor profiles are bound to impress the wine novice as well as the ardent pinotophile:

- **Alma Rosa, *La Encantada*, Santa Rita Hills**
 - Belle Glos Wines, *Las Alturas Vineyard*, Santa Lucia Highlands
- **Byron Vineyards & Winery, *Bien Nacido Vineyard*, Santa Maria Valley**
 - Capioux Cellars, *Garys' Vineyard*, Santa Lucia Highlands
 - David Bruce Winery, *Bien Nacido Vineyard*, Santa Maria Valley
 - Miner Family Vineyards, *Rosella's 777*, Santa Lucia Highlands
- **Pisoni Vineyards & Winery, *Estate Pinot Noir*, Santa Lucia Highlands**
 - ROAR, *Garys' Vineyard*, Santa Lucia Highlands
- **Sonnet Wine Cellars, *Tondre's Grapefield*, Santa Lucia Highlands**
 - Tamayo Family Vineyards, Santa Lucia Highlands
- **Testarossa Vineyards, *Cuvée Niclaire Reserve*, Santa Lucia Highlands**
 - Windward Vineyard, *Gold "Barrel Select"*, Paso Robles

Before we adjourn, Gary Pisoni will speak about the terroir of his beloved Santa Lucia Highlands. While it may be difficult not to get distracted by the spectacular and uninterrupted views from high atop San Francisco's most prestigious location, you will relish the rare opportunity to get acquainted with this charming free-spirit who is distinctive in his shoulder-length curls.

The Vintners Club provides *a separate Riedel cristal glass for each wine* (12 glasses for 12 wines) allowing you to compare the wines side-by-side and to experience their evolution in the glass as the evening progresses. *Bremner wafers* are provided to refresh the palate. You only need to bring an inquisitive palate and *a pencil*.

PLEASE SEE REVERSE

PRICE FOR THE TASTING (discounted for members):
\$90/member/first-time guest of member; \$120/non-member

TO PAY BY CREDIT CARD: Please fax your Visa or Mastercard information to the Vintners Club at (415) 381-4460. Feel free to let us know if we already have your information on file.

TO PAY BY CHECK:

- 1) Make your check payable to the Vintners Club;
- 2) Mail to: Lalita Waterman, Treasurer, Vintners Club, 36 Southridge West, Tiburon, CA 94920;
- 3) E-mail info@vintnersclub.org to confirm seat-availability and that your check is on its way.

Due to our sit-down format and the hundreds of wine glasses needed, we are able to accommodate a limited number of people. Those persons placed on the wait-list will be notified via e-mail/telephone. Please provide us with the names of those in your party at the time you make a reservation. Should a substitution become necessary, early notification is appreciated.

Deadline to cancel a reservation and be entitled to receive a refund is 10 a.m. on Monday, March 31.

PARKING: Underground in the Bank of America building. \$12 for the evening.

NO-HOST DINNER FOLLOWING THE TASTING: Since we will be starting the tasting at 6:30 p.m. (rather than our customary time of 6 p.m.), we expect to conclude a little after 8:00 p.m. You may prefer the convenience of dining thereafter at the *Carnelian Room* to enjoy the camaraderie of Gary Pisoni and other pinotphiles. Reservations for dinner can be made by calling the restaurant at (415) 433-7500. *Reservations for the tasting, however, need to be made directly with the Vintners Club as described above.* Diners who have attended the tasting will be poured a glass of the exquisite vintage 2006 Pisoni Vineyard & Winery, *Garys' Vineyard* Pinot Noir, Santa Lucia Highlands, compliments of the Vintners Club.

ATTIRE: Business Casual, per the dress code of the *Carnelian Room*. No colognes/perfumed products, please!