

VINTNERS CLUB

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TASTING #1,478 - OUTSTANDING CABERNETS YOU MAY NEVER HAVE TASTED 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 17, 2009

at

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

Cabernet Sauvignon has historically been the most widely planted varietal in the *Medoc* district of the *Bordeaux* region of France. Since the mid-1960s, it has emerged as America's most popular red wine primarily due to the flavor appeal of the grape as well as its status as a "collector's wine". Long thought to be an ancient varietal, researchers have determined that this alluring grape is actually the hybrid offspring of Cabernet Franc and Sauvignon Blanc. An ideal candidate for extensive cellaring, with age, it evolves into a truly elegant wine. Its distinctive black currant aroma develops lively nuances of chocolate, cedar and violets, and its typically tannic edges soften into a smooth and rich velvety texture.

At sunset, at our breath-taking location, we will taste **12** California Cabernets of exceptional elegance and uncompromising quality, all of which have been produced by world-class wine-makers including Dimitri Tchelistcheff, son of one of our founding members, the legendary late André Tchelistcheff.

Buoncristiani Family Winery, Napa Valley

Chappellet "Signature" Cabernet Sauvignon, Pritchard Hill, Napa Valley

Ehlers Estate "1886" Cabernet Sauvignon, St. Helena

Gargiulo Vineyards, 575 OVX, G Major 7 Study, Oakville, Napa Valley

Hall Wines, Diamond Mountain District Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley

Jarvis Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley

Lieff Wines, Auberge Road Vineyard, Rutherford, Napa Valley

Midsummer Cellars, Tomasson Vineyard, St. Helena

Palmaz Vineyards, Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley

Pride Mountain Vineyards, Vintners Select Cuvée, Spring Mountain District, Napa Valley

Summit Lake Vineyards, "Emily Kestrel", Howell Mountain, Napa Valley

Vineyard 7&8, Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, Spring Mountain District, Napa Valley

A separate glass is provided for each wine (12 glasses for 12 wines) allowing us to compare them side-by-side and to experience their evolution as the evening progresses. Following the tasting, we will raise a birthday toast to our member Steve DeMoulin. All attendees are invited to enjoy a glass of premium champagne, compliments of the Vintners Club.

PRICE - includes 20% gratuity, 8.75% tax and corkage charges: \$90/member, \$140/non-member.

TO PAY: Please fax your Visa/Mastercard information to the Vintners Club at (415) 381-4460. You are encouraged to send us an e-mail, info@vintnersclub.com to confirm seat-availability. Last week's event, like most Vintners Club tastings, was completely SOLD OUT (almost **90** attendees) with a long waiting list. We are always reluctant to disappoint, but face limitations primarily because of space and glassware constraints.

Deadline to cancel a reservation and be entitled to receive a refund is 10 a.m. on February 11.