

FROSTWATCH Vineyard & Winery

Greetings and News from Frostwatch Vineyard and Winery

Hello to customers and friends! We recently finished a busy and successful week at **Region**, our shared tasting room at the Barlow in Sebastopol. While I am sure that the sunny weather helped bring people in, we poured over 100 flights of Frostwatch wines and set a new record for bottle sales. (Woohoo!) We were also happy to have our "young people" on hand to pour with us and share the duties. Extra thanks to everyone that stopped by that week, we had a great time! In this newsletter we are offering two pre-release wines, our 2020 Kismet and our 2021 Rose of Pinot Noir, both of which are perfect for the warm weather just around the corner. We are also offering three library release options that show what just a few extra years of bottle age can achieve. All wines, qualify for a 10% discount on orders of 12 or more bottles thru May 22, 2022. Orders can be picked up at the winery or vineyard by prior arrangement but if that doesn't work for you we are offering \$30 flat rate shipping in states served by GSO.

New Pre-Release Wine

2021 Rose of Pinot Noir: We are thrilled to be offering this delicious rose! Harvested by hand with family and friends last September, this wine is just in time for warm summer weather. The fruit (100% Pinot Noir) comes from our Swan clone, a low yielding but intense selection of this varietal. A true rose, we pressed the fruit gently, (whole cluster) in a bladder press. The juice was settled and then carefully racked to stainless steel drums where it was fermented utilizing indigenous yeast. The result is an irresistible wine that displays bright fruit aromas and flavors (strawberry, cherry and plum) with a seamless balance and silky mouthfeel.

38 Cases Produced TA: 5.4g/l pH: 3.3 Alc: 13.2

2020 Kismet: This is the first Kismet that we have made since the 2016 vintage and we are thrilled with this ripe, plush rendition of the blend. Picked a bit later than usual, we've traded Sauvignon Blanc's bracing acidity for melon, fig and stone fruits coupled with richness that is the hallmark of Semillon. While this year's cuvee is 90% Sauvignon Blanc and could be labeled as such, we decided to enter it in the "White Blend" category of the 2022 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition where it was awarded Best of Class. We think this is an excellent alternative white wine well suited to being enjoyed on your porch or patio on one of the hot summer days that lie ahead.

95 Cases Produced TA: 5.4g/l pH: 3.4 Alc: 14.2



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Previously Released Wines

2017 Semillon: This 100% Semillon continues to improve with age, getting more unctuous and displaying notes of stone fruit and figs, as well as hints of honeydew and melon. The wine makes a fine aperitif or a great sipping wine. Best of Class San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, Gold Medal American Fine Wine Competition, 91 pts. The Wine Enthusiast.

And now for something a bit different, *Verticals*. A vertical in wine parlance refers to tasting the same wine variety (preferably from the same winemaker) from a single vineyard over successive vintages. This helps the taster see the evolution of a specific wine over time as well as understand the effect of growing conditions in different years. Typically the wines are tasted in order from the oldest to the youngest so that the more subtle and integrated flavors of a mature wine are not overwhelmed by a younger wine's more vibrant fruit or aggressive tannins. Tasting a vertical is a fun way to share a tasting experience with friends, particularly if you enjoy exploring the subtle differences between vintages. If that sounds interesting, you may consider one or both of the verticals below.

Three vintage vertical: 2014/2015/2016 Pinot Noir - More similar than not, the Frostwatch Pinots offer rich red cherry and plum flavors with a dense mid-palate and good structure. All of these wines have won Gold and/or been rated 90+ in a national wine publication (Wine Advocate, Wine Enthusiast, etc.). For fans of our Pinot, this vertical is a great way to see the impact of vintage variation and winemaker decision making. Offered only as a three bottle vertical to fill out your case.

Three vintage vertical: 2014/2015/2016 Merlot – Clearly members of the same family, the Frostwatch Merlots show raspberry and spice notes on the nose with dense cherries, plums and blackberry on the palate. The wines are characterized by a silky mouthfeel and balanced acidity. All of these wines have also won Gold and/or been rated 90+ in a national wine publication (Wine Advocate, Wine Enthusiast, etc.). Offered only as a three bottle vertical to fill out your case.

Notes about Ordering: In addition to using our order form (via mail/email) and ordering by phone, you may use our secure online purchasing option. All wines will be shipped on Monday, May 23rd. Your shipping address should be a business or residence where someone will be available between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. An adult signature will be required. As always we appreciate you support.

Hope to see you soon in wine country! Brett Raven & Diane Kleinecke

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Pre-Release - 2020 Frostwatch – Bennett Valley - Kismet				\$25	\$29		
2017 Frostwatch - Bennett Valley – Semillon					\$26		
2014/2015/2016 Frostwatch - Bennett Valley – Pinot Noir Vertical					\$120		
2014/2015/2016 Frostwatch - Bennett Valley – Merlot Vertical					\$105		
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