



## Announcing the release of our 2003 vintage

Spring is a magical time in Sonoma County where new life is seen everywhere; from the vineyard where new vine shoots climb their way skyward, to pastures where young calves stand next to their mamas. This is truly an amazing place to live.

Out in the vineyards, spring has several meanings. Pruning, shoot thinning, lots of mowing, and Allegra... Inside the winery, spring marks the time when we assemble our final blends and rack our wines back into barrel to rest until late summer when they are bottled.

Perhaps one of the most fulfilling aspects of spring

is the release of our newest wine vintage! In this case, we are excited to announce that our 2003 vintage is now available for sale.

Bottled in December 2004, these wines have had several months to get over the shock of going from the barrel to the bottle. This vintage also represents our first release that was entirely produced at our own facility.

OK, I admit that this newsletter is a little late in coming because the actual release of our four wines was in March. Time has a funny way of slipping away when you are kept busy with all of the vineyard and winery work.



Open For Business!

2005 Barrel Weekend

The good news is that all four of our wines are still available. However, please don't wait too long to order because supplies of our 2003 Old Vine Estate Zinfandel are limited as a result of higher than expected demand.

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### Upcoming Events:

- \* Citronelle Wine & Food Pairing — July 28th
- \* 2004 Bottling Days — August 8th & 9th
- \* Family Winemakers of California, 2005 Tasting at Fort Mason Center — August 21st

## Join the club of "Inspired Ones"

Some have proclaimed that it's about time. Yes, we now have our very own wine club!

### Here's how it works...

Just before we release our wines to the public, we will ship one bottle of each new wine to you.

This will give you an opportunity to be one of the first to enjoy and reorder our wine.

Currently, we make 5 wines; that translates into approximately \$120.00 per year, including club discount, tax & shipping.

### Additional Club Benefits

#### Guaranteed Allocation:

- Receive the first opportunity to purchase new releases before they are available to the general public.

#### Special Offerings:

- Access to purchase library wines, or wines produced from small lots that are very limited at the time of bottling and will likely not be available to the general public.

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## Wine Components and Food Pairing over Dinner at Citronelle

Wine and food pairing is fascinating, fun and complex. At the core are the wine components; the smells and tastes that make each wine unique.

Citronelle restaurant in San Jose will be hosting an evening of wine component exploration led by your very own Jon Phillips.

An inspired four course dinner of Mai Dam's modern Vietnamese cuisine paired with four wines from Inspiration Vineyards follows the component session, allowing you to put what you've learned to enjoyable, practical use.

**When:** Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>  
from 7:00pm to 10:00pm

**Where:** Citronelle restaurant  
826 South Winchester Boulevard  
San Jose – 408.244.2528

**Cost:** \$79.00 ~ Includes class, wine & dinner  
(excludes tax & gratuity)

### Where you can find us:

We still get very excited about every new retail and restaurant placement. Please look for our wines at the following stores and restaurants:

#### Retail

- Traverso's, Santa Rosa  
[www.traversos.com](http://www.traversos.com)
- Wine Exchange of Sonoma, Sonoma  
[www.wineexsonoma.com](http://www.wineexsonoma.com)
- SCD Trading / Trade River Winery, Wisconsin  
[www.traderiverwinery.com](http://www.traderiverwinery.com)

#### Restaurants

- Zazu, Santa Rosa
- John Ash & Company, Santa Rosa
- Equus, Santa Rosa
- Bistro Allure, Santa Rosa
- Mirepoix, Windsor
- Noonan's Bar & Grill, Larkspur
- MacCallum House, Mendocino
- Neumanali, Hayward
- Villagio Cucina, Lafayette
- Vivace Ristorante, Belmont

Neumanali in Hayward



## Citronelle

Geared towards demystifying the sensory components of wine, you will be lead through a one hour introduction seminar on the basic aspects of wine sensory evaluation.

Using doctored wine samples, and focusing on the use of your olfactory senses, we will investigate several scent "components" that are naturally present in wine.

After the exercise, your taste buds will be ready for a fabulous four course Vietnamese dinner, paired with four wines from Inspiration Vineyards.

Our goal is that by the end of the evening, you will leave with a greater awareness of scents and flavors while having a great time pairing good food and wine together.

To make reservations, which are required, please call Citronelle at 408.244.2528. [www.citronellemv.com](http://www.citronellemv.com)

#### ~ Menu ~

- ~ Niman Ranch pork ribs in Vietnamese barbecue sauce ~  
~ Zinfandel, 2002 Russian River, Old Vine Estate ~
- ~ Sweet mango salad with organic greens in chili-lime vinaigrette ~  
~ Chardonnay, 2003 Russian River, Estate ~
- ~ Seafood mélange - scallops, prawns, calamari, and fish ~  
(in spicy lemongrass curry sauce)  
~ Pinot Noir, 2002 Los Carneros, Sonoma County ~
- ~ Falling Chocolate cake with soothing lychee ice cream ~  
~ Zinfandel, 2003 Alexander Valley, Sonoma County ~

## Benefits of joining the club

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#### Preferred Reservations:

- Come visit our winery with your friends and receive preferred status when making your reservation for a complimentary wine tasting. Because our winery is very small, we only make a limited number of reservations in order to provide an intimate and memorable experience.

#### Discount:

- Receive the club discount of 15% on all wines

#### Here's how to join:

- On the web: [www.inspirationvineyards.com/joinus.html](http://www.inspirationvineyards.com/joinus.html)
- Fax the form on page 4 to 707.237.4980
- Call us and leave a message at 707.237.4980. We will call you back to get all of your details.

## About our latest releases

### Chardonnay – Russian River, Estate

The grapes for this wine come from our own vineyard. To preserve the delicate varietal character, each cluster was individually hand selected and whole cluster pressed.

2003 Vintage Tasting Notes: A full and rich mouth feel with crisp acidity; flinty with flavors of citrus and pears. Approximately 100 cases were produced.

### Zinfandel – Russian River Old Vine, Estate

The grapes for this wine come from our own 100 year old head pruned and dry farmed vineyard, producing a wine rich with fruit flavors. We age all of our Zinfandels in seasoned French and American oak barrels with minimal new cooperage, which we believe provides some additional mouth feel and texture to the finished wine without an over abundance of oak flavors.

2003 Vintage Tasting Notes: Medium bodied, with flavors of spice, cardamom and white pepper layered with flavors of blackberry and raspberry. Approximately 60 cases were produced.

### Zinfandel – Alexander Valley

The grapes for this wine come from two small hand tended hillside vineyards in the Western foothills of the Alexander Valley. Our 2003 release just won a silver medal at the North Of The Gate Wine Competition.

2003 Vintage Tasting Notes: Full bodied, thick and rich with flavors of intense raspberry and blackberry with black pepper on the nose. Approximately 150 cases were produced.

### Pinot Noir – Los Carneros, Sonoma County

The grapes for this wine come from a small hand tended vineyard in the Los Carneros region of Sonoma County, with each grape cluster individually selected for quality, to produce an intensely rich and opulent wine.

2003 Vintage Tasting Notes: Medium bodied, with layers of black cherry, strawberry, tobacco and leather. Approximately 100 cases produced.

Available Releases	Bottle Price	Case Price (10% discount)	Club Price (15% discount)
2002 Chardonnay ~ Russian River, Estate	\$18.00	\$194.40	\$183.60
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2002 Zinfandel ~ Russian River Old Vine, Estate	\$19.00	\$205.20	\$193.80
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2002 Zinfandel ~ Alexander Valley	\$19.00	\$205.20	\$193.80
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2002 Pinot Noir ~ Los Carneros, Sonoma County	\$23.00	\$248.40	\$234.60
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## Family Winemakers of California



Come see us at the 2005 Family Winemakers of California annual tasting at Fort Mason. This will be our second year participating in this wonderful event. This will be your first opportunity to taste the 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon that we will release in March 2006!

Billed as the largest tasting of California wines in the world and a showcase for the state's small, family owned wineries, you won't want to miss it. We hope to see you there.

**When:** Sunday, August 21st from noon to 4:00pm

**Where:** Festival Pavilion, Fort Mason Center, San Francisco

[www.tasting.familywinemakers.org/sf\\_2005/index.html](http://www.tasting.familywinemakers.org/sf_2005/index.html)

**Cost:** \$35.00 in advance, \$45 at the door

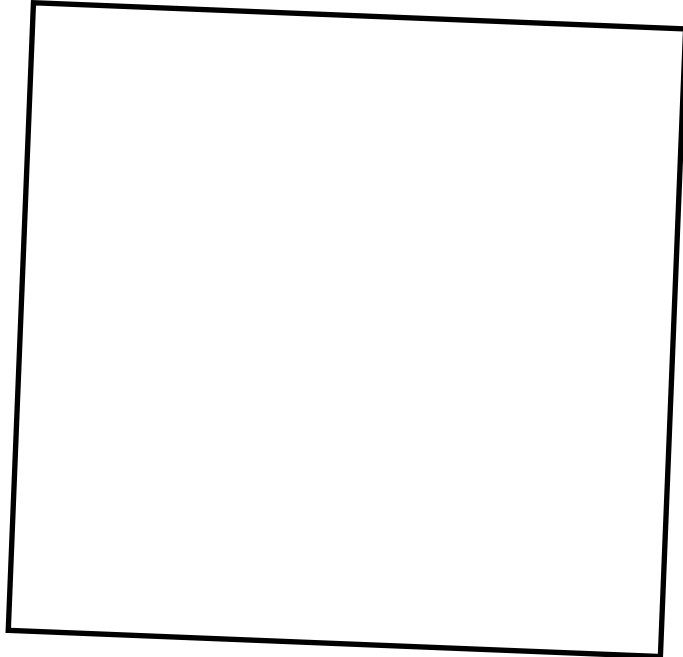


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**Here's how to order:**

Visit our website: [www.inspirationvineyards.com](http://www.inspirationvineyards.com) or complete this form and fax it back to us at: 707.237.4980. By joining our wine club, you will receive 15% off of your entire order. Save on shipping costs by asking us to hold your order until your next visit to our winery.

	\$ Each	Order Qty		Total
		2002	2003	
Chardonnay, Russian River Estate	\$18.00			
Zinfandel, Russian River Old Vine	\$19.00			
Zinfandel, Alexander Valley	\$19.00			
Pinot Noir, Los Carneros	\$23.00			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Join Club (2003 Selection)	\$79.00		1	
Sub Total				
Case Discount (10% for qty of 12 btls) or Club Discount (15% entire order)	%			
Discounted Sub Total				
California State Sales Tax	7.75%			
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<b>Total</b>				

Name	
Street Address	
City, State, Zip	
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I certify that I am over 21 years of age.

**SHIPPING & WINE ORDER PICK-UP**

If you don't see your state listed, please contact us at the winery. State wine shipping laws are changing, which may affect shipping rates & options. If you chose to pick up your order at the winery, please call us in advance to be sure that we will be available when you arrive. Thank you! Jon & Barbara



State	1-3 btls	1/2 case	case
CA, CO, OR	\$14	\$17	\$25
ID, NM, NV, WA, WI	\$15	\$19	\$29
AZ, IA, IL, MO, NE	\$17	\$23	\$36