



Dear Friends of Unison!

Another newsletter from us! It is not our intention to "bombard" you with our releases, but we release our wines when they are ready and not when we are and they all decided to be ready more or less at the same time this year !!! We won't be sending another newsletter from little Unison until the middle of next year, promise!

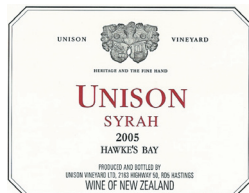


It is, however "the time of year" when we offer all our other "goodies from Unison" – our new wine releases and the release of our now 12 year old Salsa Balsamico and many people take advantage of our gift service. We can't unfortunately offer any olive oil this year. Unlike us, the trees went on a little holiday apparently only one of our 400 trees produced any fruit. Next year again!

With this newsletter we release our premium SYRAH 2005 - and this wine is an absolute beauty! We believe it even surpasses our champion Syrah 2004. We didn't enter this wine into the Air NZ show, as the wine was not ready at the time of entry – great creations take their own time! With these important decisions you can see

that we are not a commercial producer making wines ready for shows or for whichever supermarket chain requires a certain product, our wines are truly boutique and handcrafted.

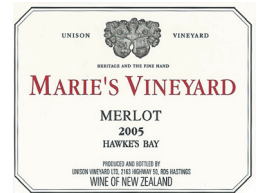
TASTING NOTES: THE DEEP RUBY RED COLOUR REFLECTS THE NATURAL CONCENTRATION OF THE WINE WHICH IS DUE TO THE VERY LOW YIELD AND INTENSIVE CANOPY MANAGEMENT IN THE VINEYARD. GENTLE WINEMAKING PRACTISES ALLOW THE NATURAL BALANCE TO BE MAINTAINED. THE RICH AROMA OF CINNAMON AND DRIED PLUMS FOLLOWS THROUGH THE PALATE UNDERPINNED BY FINE BLACK CHERRY AROMAS AND HINTS OF DARK CHOCOLATE. FINE UNDERLYING OAK SUPPORTS THE GREAT "SPICY FRUIT BOWL". THE SYRAH'S WONDERFUL OVERALL BALANCE, NATURAL COMPLEXITY AND SEAMLESS LINGERING FINISH RESULT IN ANOTHER LITTLE MASTERPIECE FROM (AS THE MEDIA HAS NOTED) "THE MASTERS OF NEW ZEALAND SYRAH".



As we had to disappoint so many with limited stocks of our Flagship wine UNISON SELECTION and as our SYRAH is in equal demand, this time with our Syrah release we will reserve enough wine for our Friends of Unison until end of December, after which time we can't guarantee supply, as we have limited this wine to all other markets.

Also we are now releasing the new vintage of our MARIE'S VINEYARD MERLOT 2005. Only one year on the market here in NZ this brand has become very popular, also in Europe and Asia again because of it's great structure and balance. It seems rarer nowadays to find a 100% Merlot and one which is not only fruit-driven but which also shows more complexity and sophistication.

TASTING NOTES: MARIE'S VINEYARD MERLOT 2005 (NAMED AFTER OUR DAUGHTER) IS DENSELY COLOURED, SHOWS SWEET-RESTRAINED RED BERRY/BLACK CURRENT FRUIT, ELEGANTLY MOUTH FILLING WITH FINE BALANCE, GOOD CONCENTRATION AND A LINGERING VELVETY FINISH.



SOMETHING NEW !!! Many of you know that we quietly also make various wines for other people (some of which have already won gold medals and trophies!!). As we had to invest in white wine making equipment for our clients we decided to add also a white wine into our portfolio. It was really fun after all these years to make white wine again and the smell of the white ferments took me back to Germany where I was making (understandably) more white than red. So we have added the "fashionable" Pinot Gris, a variety I am very familiar with. This is the first release of UNISON PINOT GRIS 2006, FRESH FRUITY, UN-OAKED, SOFT, SMOOTH AND MOUTH FILLING. THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL EXAMPLE OF THIS CLASSIC VARIETY – THE PERFECT PARTNER TO SUMMER CUISINE.



Now I have run out of space !!!

We hope you enjoyed our newsletter again. Many thanks to all of you who write nice personal notes on the order forms. We feel we are getting just a big "wine-related" family and so it should be. As we mentioned in our last newsletter, we are now open only 6 days a week, closed on Sundays. On Sundays you can enjoy / purchase some of our wines (not all) at the new café "Triangle Red", which we opened together with two other small producers on Ngatarawa Road, 4 minutes drive away from us.

We hope the "run-up" to Christmas is not too hectic for you and please call in when you are down in the Bay. Many thanks for your on-going support.

Kind regards, Anna-Barbara & Bruce.

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