



**The Ontario Wine Society Presents
Niagara Chapter's**

***“Niagara’s Other Wines”
Tasting Our Unique Varietals
at Ridgepoint Wines***

Tuesday, April 22, 2008

\$ 30 Members

\$ 40 Non-Members

Ridgepoint Winery

3900 Cherry Avenue, Vineland, ON

6:30pm – Reception, 7:00pm –Tasting

Usually we tend to focus our tastings on the widely grown *vitis vinifera* grape varieties of the Niagara region. Those grapes are Merlot, the Cabernets, Pinot Noir and Gamay Noir in the reds and Chardonnay, Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc and Gewurztraminer in the whites. More and more wineries are growing grapes such as Shiraz/Syrah and Pinot Gris/Grigio. Join us to taste some even more unique varietals that are being produced by a select few wineries.

Our speaker will be **Linda Bramble, Ph.D.**, a wine writer, educator and broadcaster who is a certified sommelier. She has books published on the Niagara wine region and is a Canadian contributor to the *Oxford Companion to the Wines of North America*. Linda is a regular contributor to several magazines including *Vines*. She has won awards and recognition around the world and has been named the Grape and Wine Festival’s *Citizen of the Year*. In April she was given the lifetime achievement award for wine promotion at the annual Experts Wine Tasting at Brock University. She lives and works in St. Catharines and has taught at Brock University’s Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute.

Linda has had a long and enjoyable relationship with the Ontario Wine Society and has received high praise for the insight and enthusiasm, which she brings to our events. Join her in April while we experience some of the exciting lesser-known wines of Niagara like Chenin Blanc, Pinot Meunier Rose, Aligote, Viognier and Kerner. She will discuss the wines, give us some of the history, and look at the future of these and other wines being produced in our area.

Ridgepoint Wines, the venue for the event was the first winery in Ontario to bottle Nebbiolo. Their award winning 2002 is still available and will be on our tasting list. Our host will be Mauro Scarsellone of Ridgepoint. As usual, stay after the tasting for hors d’oeuvres and nibbles catered by Mauro’s sister Anna Gottardo and Executive Chef Christopher Knight of Scarsellone Restaurant.

Directions: Off QEW at Exit 57 (Victoria Avenue, Regional Road 24, Vineland). Drive South on Victoria Avenue (towards the Niagara Escarpment.) Continue on Victoria Ave, through Vineland, climbing the Escarpment to Moyer Road. Turn West (right) on Moyer Road and continue to Cherry Avenue. Turn north (right) and drive to 3900 Cherry Avenue (on your left.) For a map, visit <http://www.ridgepointwines.com/visit.html>.

To register for this event, fill out and mail in the form below.

Registration Form

For information call the **Niagara Wine Line at 905-685-7623** or visit www.ontariowinesociety.com.
Members \$30; Non-Members \$40. Members may bring one guest at member price. Your cheque must be *received* by Tuesday, April 15, 2008. Cancellations will be accepted up to Tuesday, April 15, 2008. Please do not mail cash. Seats will *not* be sold at the door. *Although we appreciate knowing your intentions, receipt of your cheque is the only way to guarantee a reservation, so please be sure to mail in your registration forms early as reservations are not accepted by phone or email.*

Please reserve _____ space(s) for **the Niagara's Other Wines event at Ridgepoint Wines April 22, 2008**. Enclosed is my cheque for \$_____. (Please make cheque payable to "The Ontario Wine Society - Niagara Chapter"). Please contact me at _____ to confirm your receipt of this cheque.

Please print:

NAME: _____ GUEST NAME (S): _____

CORPORATE MEMBER AFFILIATION? _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

TELEPHONE: (DAY) _____ (EVENING) _____

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SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

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