

Windsor / Essex Ontario Wine Society

Fortified Wines Tasting Event.

February 4th, 2013 – Pelee Island Winery

Host: Allison Christ & Jessie Ramsey

Pelee Island Winery Wine Tasting

Reception Wine:

Pelee Island Secco

Wine #1

2011 Vinedressers White

68% Sauvignon Blanc, 27% Viognier, 5% Chardonnay

\$17.95

Wine #2

2010 Vinedressers Red

30% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Franc, 20% Lemberger, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon

\$15.95

Wine #3

2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Petit Verdot Vinedresser

55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 36% Petit Verdot, 9% Shiraz

\$19.95

Wine #4

2010 Meritage Vinedresser

50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Cabernet Franc, 25% Merlot

\$24.95

Fortified Wine Tasting

WINE #1

FONSECA WHITE PORT

LCBO 276816 | 750 mL bottle

Price \$ 15.95

Made in: Douro, Portugal

Style: Sweet

Wine, Fortifieds, Port

20.0% Alcohol/Vol.

WINE #2

DOW'S LATE BOTTLED VINTAGE PORT 2007

VINTAGES 613927 | 750 mL bottle

Price \$ 16.95

Made in: Douro, Portugal

By: Symington Family Estates

Wine, Fortifieds, Port

20.0% Alcohol/Vol.

Sugar Content: 101 g/L

Sweetness Descriptor: S - Sweet

Tasting Note

Very hefty looker, perfumed lift, nose of bramble, perfect poise, great length with warming conclusion with grip, classy and classic. Score - Gold Medal. (International Wine Challenge, 2012)

WINE #3

GRAHAM'S 10 YEAR OLD TAWNY

LCBO 206508 | 750 mL bottle

Price \$ 27.95

Made in: Region Not Specified, Portugal

By: W & J Graham & Co.,

Style: Sweet

Wine, Fortifieds, Port

20.0% Alcohol/Vol.

Sugar Content: 118 g/L

Tasting Note

Medium tawny colour; plummy, raisin, fig & nutty aromas; sweet, rich dried fruit and nutty flavours, full-bodied with a long finish

Serving Suggestion

Medium sweet desserts, semi-soft cheeses

WINE #4

BLANDY'S 5-YEAR-OLD MALMSEY RICH MADEIRA

VINTAGES 70193 | 750 mL bottle

Price \$ 24.95

Made in: Madeira, Portugal

By: Madeira Wine Company

Wine, Fortifieds, Madeira

19.0% Alcohol/Vol.

Varietal: Varietal - Other

All other wines that match this varietal »

Sugar Content: 121 g/L

Sweetness Descriptor: S - Sweet

Description

TASTING NOTE: Deep, dark amber. Rich nose with hints of raisin, brown sugar, dried fruit. Also a touch of pine and eucalyptus. Well rounded sweet mouth with citrus notes and more raisin. Great balance and full finish. Score: Silver Medal - Best in Class (Tasting Panel, International Wine and Spirit Competition, 2008)

WINE#5

OSBORNE 10 RF OLOROSO MEDIUM SHERRY
VINTAGES 87536 | 750 mL bottle

Price \$ 16.95

Made in: Jerez, Spain
By: Osborne (Vinhos De Portugal) Ltd.

Wine, Fortifieds, Sherry
19.0% Alcohol/Vol.

Sugar Content: 46 g/L
Sweetness Descriptor: MS - Medium Sweet

Description

This non-vintage Sherry received a score of 91 in 2007 from Robert Parker Jr.'s site, and a 90 in Wine Enthusiast in 2008. Expect this to be equally charming. Look for deeply delicious, medium-sweet Oloroso aromas and flavours of figs, dates and other dried fruits. It's a full-bodied Sherry that exhibits a pretty nutty/fruity character on its long finish. A great sipper after a fine meal, or if you want to match it, try aged cheeses or pecan pie.

WINE #6

GONZALEZ BYASS LEONOR PALO CORTADO SHERRY
VINTAGES 264705 | 750 mL bottle

Price \$ 18.95

Made in: Jerez, Spain
By: Gonzalez Byass & Co.

Wine, Fortifieds, Sherry
20.0% Alcohol/Vol.

Sweetness Descriptor: M - Medium

Description

TASTING NOTE: Orange pekoe tea coloured. Intense bouquet shows mixed peel, honeysuckle, mandarin juice and cinnamon. Hint of maraschino, almond meal and toffee too. Palate is tightly wound, with peanut brittle sweet nuttiness, vanilla bean and cedar. Long, tapering palate finishes with oyster shell minerality and orange pith bitterness. Very intense, perhaps a little too searing for my liking, but shows immense pent up energy and a high refreshment amongst the mixed nut complexity. Score: 92 (Mike Bennie, winefront.com.au, Nov. 23, 2011)

People's Choice Awards

First Place

Wine #3 - GRAHAM'S 10 YEAR OLD TAWNY (54 pts)

Second Place

Wine #2 - DOW'S LATE BOTTLED VINTAGE PORT 2007 (38 pts)

Third Place

Wine #4 - BLANDY'S 5-YEAR-OLD MALMSEY RICH MADEIRA (27 pts)

Fourth Place

Wine #1 - FONSECA WHITE PORT (13 pts)

Fifth Place

Wine #5 - OSBORNE 10 RF OLOROSO MEDIUM SHERRY (7 pts)

Sixth Place

Wine # 6 - GONZALEZ BYASS LEONOR PALO CORTADO SHERRY (1 pt)