



Join us for Saturday afternoon wine tastings, 2 to 6:30 p.m.

This Saturday, March 6th

Taste of Spring

Whites

Leitz "Leitz Out" Riesling, 2008

Johannes Leitz is universally regarded as one of the three stars of the new generation of winemakers in the Rheingau, one of Germany's major wine regions. According to Terry Theise, the brilliant American importer, "He's a perfect expression of my holy trinity of value: soil, family, artisanality." Based near the town of Rudesheim, this winery produces extraordinarily aromatic, vigorous wines from a vintner who grows more commanding each vintage. This outstanding value comes from the Klosterlay vineyard from wine that doesn't get the top-level vineyard designation. Vibrant, crisp beautifully balanced, pun intended, this is "lights out" good.

Reg. \$14.99 Special \$13.49

Domaine Sauvète Sauvignon de Touraine, "Oneiros", 2008

Located in the Cher River valley, a tributary of the Loire River, Domaine Sauvète comprises 40 acres of vines cultivated organically. The Sauvignon Blanc from the wine region of Touraine offers classic expressions of this grape even if they don't have the cachet of the Sauvignon Blanc of Sancerre or Pouilly Fumé. "Oneiros" is made from vines grown in sandy soils rich in flint higher up the hillsides of the river valley which give it uncommon minerality and intensity.

Reg. \$16.99 Special \$15.29

Reds

Domaine La Manarine Côtes du Rhône, 2007

Although there are more good wine values than ever before, few red wines consistently offer as much bang for the buck as Côtes-du-Rhône. Traditionally a blend of Grenache, Syrah or grapes such as Mourvedre, Cinsault or Carignan, the medium-bodied combination of lively berry flavors and subtle pepper and spice make it versatile and food friendly. Gilles Gasq is a talented young winemaker who until 2001 was selling his Grenache to Paul Jeune for Jeune's superb Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Domaine Monpertuis. A fabulous expression of pure Grenache from one block of vineyard land loaded with "galets" (the smooth, round ancient riverbed stones) in the village of Travaillan to the north of Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Rich, lush blackberry and cassis with subtle pepper spice.

Reg. \$15.99 Special \$14.39

Château Lescalle Bordeaux Supérieur, 2003

What a treat to have incredibly affordable Bordeaux with that's got some bottle age. The wines of Bordeaux typically reward some time in bottle and Chateau Lescalle has the supple texture and interwoven flavors that come with time. Chateau Lescalle, built in 1875, is located in the Left Bank village of Macau on the edge of the famous Margaux appellation and is planted with 65% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc and 10% Petit Verdot. Even if you have a well-stocked wine cellar full of maturing wines, enjoying this little gem means you don't have to deplete your stocks anytime soon.

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Special pricing applies the day of the tasting only

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