

*Wicked Cellars Tasting Notes:  
Saturday, November 9th, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.*

*Our Tuscan Tasting  
With Doug Giles and A&B Imports  
\$10 Tasting Fee!*

This Saturday between 2 and 5 p.m., after a brief visit to Abruzzo for a refreshing white wine, we'll tour the warm and sun-soaked hillsides of Tuscany with glass in hand, stopping at three of the leading Tuscan wineries to taste five more fabulous Tuscan red wines. We'll do all that and still get you back to windy, wet and chilly Everett in time for dinner!

*2012 Agriverde Piano di Maggio Trebbiano d'Abruzzo DOC \$10.99*

The only non-Tuscan in the tasting, this white wine comes from Agriverde Winery, one of the stars of Italy's Abruzzo. 100% Trebbiano, this wine is straw yellow with greenish highlights and presents an intense yet delicate bouquet of white flowers and orange zest. Medium bodied and dry with good acidity, it leaves a pleasant bitterness on the back of the palate.

*Fattoria di Grignano Pietramaggio \$11.99*

The Pietramaggio Toscana Red is a fine blend of Sangiovese, Canaiolo, and Trebbiano. Fermented in stainless steel, this is a big, delicious, wine loaded with dark cherries mixed with tobacco and spice. It's very earthy and ideal with traditional Tuscan cuisine, pasta dishes, grilled meats, and cheeses.

*Borgo Scopeto Chianti Classico 2009 \$15.99*

Borgo Scopeto is an old and well-established estate producer of Chianti Classico, in the heart of the Chianti wine-producing region in the center of Tuscany. It is a true borgo - a hamlet with its own church, post office, town center and residences.

Produced from 100% Sangiovese grapes, the 2009 Organic Borgo Chianti Classico is deeply colored and offers a powerful bouquet expressing concentrated berry fruit supported by herbal notes of rosemary with a hint of sage. The wine is rich and structured with intensely concentrated dark berry fruit supported by tannins that flow into a long lingering finish.

*Fattoria di Grignano Chianti Rufina Riserva "Poggio Gualteri" 2003*  
*\$21.99*

This Riserva Chianti Rufina, 'Poggio Gualteri', is a rich black ruby red in color, and its bouquet is intense with red berry fruit overshadowed by cedar and spice. The nose is warm and smells of cedar and oak. Its full-bodied palate is well structured, and balanced with accents of oak and cedar on the finish. *90 Points – Wine Spectator*

*Borgo Scopeto Borgonero 2010 \$18.99*

This Super Tuscan blend of Sangiovese, Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon has great personality and elegance.

It is a very intense, almost impenetrable red in color, its bouquet is broad, refined and captivating, with notes of leather and tobacco. On the palate it is extraordinarily structured, offering great harmony yet surprisingly soft.

*Caparzo Brunello di Montalcino DOCG 2008 \$38.99*

Garnet red, intense and brilliant, with light orange hints, this wine has a bouquet that is penetrating, very full and varied and reminiscent of wild berries. On the palate it is dry, warm, full-bodied, harmonious, delicate and austere and persistent all at the same time.

"Fresh cherry and raspberry flavors highlight this juicy red. Accents of underbrush and tobacco lend nuance, and the dense tannins suggest this is built for the long haul. Ends with a spicy finish." *-92 Points, Wine Spectator*