Wicked Cellars Tasting Notes Friday, March 7th, 4 to 7 p.m. Fort Walla Walla Cellars with Bob Schearer

\$10 Tasting Fee \$5 for Wine Club Members Tasting Fee Refunded with Purchase of 3 BottlesFrom the Tasting

Fort Walla Walla 2008 Merlot, Walla Walla Valley \$34.99

"Fresh and lively, with a sharp edge to the red berry, blackberry and subtle red pepper flavors, persisting nicely on the refined finish. Drink now through 2016. 516 cases made." –HS (90 Points: Wine Spectator, September 2013)

Vineyards: Pepper Bridge, Les Collines and St. Clare, Walla Walla; Blend: 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon

Fort Walla Walla 2008 Syrah, Walla Walla \$30.99

"Focused and flavorful, this is layered with tobacco and gravel overtones to its dark berry and tomato leaf flavors, finishing with intensity. Worth cellaring. Best from 2015 through 2018. 447 cases made." –HS (92 points: Wine Spectator, September 2013)

Vineyards: Pepper Bridge Vineyard (Walla Walla); **Blend**: 94% Syrah; 6% Merlot

Fort Walla Walla 2008 Cabernet Sauvignon, Walla Walla \$37.99

"Multilayered and complex, offering cherry, tobacco, cocoa and black tea flavors, hinting at floral notes as the finish lingers deftly against refined tannins. Features depth without much weight. Fine length. Best from 2015 through 2020. 473 cases made." –HS (92 Points: Wine Spectator, September 2013)

Vineyards: Les Collines Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley; Blend: 85% Cabernet
Sauvignon; 15% Merlot

Fort Walla Walla 2008 "Treaty", Walla Walla Valley \$48.99

Fort Walla Walla's "Treaty" is a Bordeaux style blend of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 36% Merlot and 9% Cabernet Franc sourced from Walla Walla's famed Les Collines Vineyard.

The wine is full-bodied and nicely balanced, showing layers of spicy smooth berry, cherry and bittersweet blackberry flavored fruit and aromas. Hints of vanilla and soft mocha help provide a lingering and silky finish.

Fort Walla Walla 2009 Merlot "Pepper Bridge Single Vineyard" \$48.99

This single vineyard Merlot uses meticulously hand-selected grapes from Pepper Bridge Vineyard in the Walla Walla Valley. Dark and rich in color, this elegant Merlot presents a smooth mouthful of mocha scented cherry, plum and currant. It's a well-balanced, full-bodied Merlot offering velvety overtones of vanilla laced oak, soft tannins and a wonderful finish.

Fort Walla Walla 2009 Cabernet Sauvignon "Les Collines Single Vineyard" \$48.99

This is 100% single vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon sourced entirely from handpicked grapes from Les Collines Vineyard. This wine is smooth and wellbalanced, offering beautiful aromas of blackberry, coffee and plum that follow through as rich flavors on a full-bodied palate. Soft, round tannins and a long, rich finish nicely tie the bow on this delicious gift of a wine.