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A Note from Rick

We're pleased to release these three new wines to our Club members: the 2020 Albariño from Clover Creek Vineyard, the bold 2019 Pinot Noir from the famed Sanford & Benedict Vineyard and the 2018 Red Wine, Marston's Cuvée, a special new blend to commemorate the birth of our grandson, Marston Longoria!

The wines in your shipment vary according to the wine club you have selected. As members, you are entitled to an extra 5% discount on orders of any of these new releases during the month of April.

Also available are the new releases that were sent out to our Grand Tastevin Order Wine Club members in March. These include the 2020 Pink Wine, made from Fe Ciega Pinot Noir grapes, (only a few cases are left), the 2019 Graciano from Two Wolves Vineyard and two Library wines: the 2013 Fe Ciega Vineyard Pinot Noir and the 2014 Sanford & Benedict Vineyard Pinot Noir.

We are also releasing our 2020 Pinot Grigio from Clover Creek Vineyard this month. This popular wine will not be included in a Club shipment but a limited supply is now available. I encourage members to order soon before the supply runs out.

It's been roughly a year since all of our lives have been challenged with the COVID-19 pandemic. At the time of writing this message we do not know if we're able to have indoor tastings but we hope we can very soon. We love nothing more than to see the friendly faces of our Club members enjoying our wines, and we hope you will be able to visit with us soon. Let us hope that we're seeing the light at the end of the tunnel and we'll have much to celebrate!

We sincerely thank all of our members for your loyal support, without which we would not have been able to manage as well as we have during this past year.



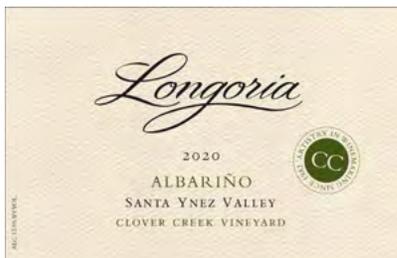
Baby Marston with 2020 Pinot Noir grapes from our Fe Ciega Vineyard

Cheers,

Rick Longoria,
Winemaker

These are the new releases for April. The wines included in your shipment vary according to your Wine Club selection. The cost for each shipment includes the price of the wine, less your Wine Club discount, plus packaging, shipping and appropriate sales tax, when applicable.

Winemaker's Notes



I DISCOVERED ALBARIÑO during a vacation to Spain in the mid-1990s and fell in love with its exotic flavors and refreshing acidity. Since 2004, I've had the good fortune to produce this wine from a small plot planted for us at Clover Creek Vineyard.

Temperatures during the 2020 growing season were mild until the last week of August when they suddenly spiked. This quick change prompted us to carefully monitor the sugar levels and harvest the grapes before they got too high. The grapes were harvested on September 5th, with an ideal sugar content of 21.5 Brix.

The grapes were whole-cluster pressed, and the juice was settled overnight. Approximately 80% of the juice was racked to a stainless tank to ferment at an average temperature of 58°F to preserve the aromatics. The remaining juice was fermented in our clay amphora I imported from La Mancha, Spain. The juice in the amphora reached 65°F, which contributed a rich and round texture to this wine. The two lots were blended and bottled in January 2021.

The wine has a pale straw gold color. The aromas are reminiscent of juicy peaches and pears with a hint of flower blossoms in the background. On the palate the wine has flavors similar to the aromas, with a hint of salinity. The excellent acidity carries the flavors from the mid-palate through to a crisp and refreshing finish.

Our Albariño pairs well with a wide variety of food and cuisines. One of my favorite pairings is traditional Pulpo Gallego (octopus with olive oil and paprika). Serve this wine chilled.

COMPOSITION: 100% Albariño
VINEYARD SOURCE: Clover Creek
PRODUCTION: 95 cases
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 12.9%
PH: 3.43
TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.73 g/100ml
CELLARING POTENTIAL: 3 to 4 years
BOTTLE PRICE: \$25.00

FOR OVER 37 YEARS I'VE had the privilege of making wine with fruit sourced from the famed Sanford & Benedict Vineyard. Each exceptional vintage has served as an inspiration for the next, and this release is no exception.

The grapes were harvested on September 16th with a sugar content of 25.3 Brix.

The grapes were 100% destemmed and crushed into a small, open-top fermenter. This year we added about 5% stems that were dried for 24 hours to reduce their astringency. After cold soaking for three days, the must was inoculated with yeast to start fermentation. 12 days later the wine was pressed off, settled in a tank, and racked to French oak barrels for aging. Approximately 32% of the wine aged in new barrels. After 14 months of barrel aging, the wine was not fined but was lightly filtered and bottled in January 2021.

The wine has a deep, dark ruby color and floral aromas with hints of ripe raspberries and cloves in the background. On the palate the wine has substantial weight with briary flavors of black cherries that are accented with tea-like tannins. The excellent acidity provides a nice balance to the rich body of the wine.

This full-bodied Pinot Noir will pair well with a variety of foods including beef tenderloin, roasted pork loin and other flavorful meats. I recommend decanting the wine 30-45 minutes prior to serving.



COMPOSITION:
 100% Pinot Noir, Clone Dijon 777
VINEYARD SOURCE:
 Sanford & Benedict
PRODUCTION: 70 cases
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 15.3%
PH: 3.51
TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.75 g/100ml
CELLARING POTENTIAL: 7 to 9 years
BOTTLE PRICE: \$50.00

Winemaker's Notes, continued



ONE OF THE PLEASURES and rewards of operating a family-owned winery is the opportunity to commemorate and celebrate the milestones that families experience. We commemorated the birth of our two granddaughters, June and

Vivian, with the Pink Wine, and now with the birth of our grandson, Marston, in 2020, we are delighted to celebrate his birth with this red wine blend, Marston's Cuvée.

Every lot in this blend was 100% destemmed and crushed into a small, open-top fermenter. The must was cold soaked for an average of three days, before adding a yeast culture to begin fermentation. Fermentation lasted an average of 12 days. The wines were pressed off, settled, then transferred to French oak barrels and aged for 21 months. 18% of the barrels were new French oak and the remaining barrels were neutral. The blend was lightly filtered and bottled in August 2021.

The wine has a dark ruby color. The aroma has a slightly herbal, olive character of the Bordeaux grape varieties that are the major component of the blend, followed by hints of black cherries. On the palate the wine is medium-bodied with flavors of black cherry jam and vanillin. The moderate tannins and balanced acidity give the wine a lively finish.

This wine will pair well with a variety of foods including pork loin, grilled meats or a charcuterie and cheese plate.

COMPOSITION: Syrah (30%), Cabernet Franc (28%), Cabernet Sauvignon (25%), Merlot (17%)
PRODUCTION: 54 cases
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 15.3%
PH: 3.60
TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.65 g/100ml
CELLARING POTENTIAL: 6 to 8 years
BOTTLE PRICE: \$35.00

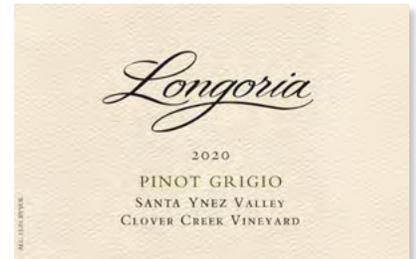
Also Available Now

THE WEATHER DURING the growing season was relatively mild until the last week of August when we experienced a period of hot temperatures. This weather prompted a quick harvest on August 19th, to avoid excessive sugar content in the grapes. The grapes measured 21.8 Brix at harvest with excellent acidity.

The grapes were whole-cluster pressed and settled in a tank for 24 hours. The juice was racked to another stainless-steel tank to undergo a 12-day fermentation. Once fermentation was complete, the wine was racked to stainless steel barrels to age for five months. The wine was bottled in January 2021.

The wine's pale straw color is typical of this varietal. While pouring, strong aromas of tropical fruit, pears and lychee nuts jump out of the glass. On the palate the wine has flavors similar to the aroma with a hint of banana custard on the finish. The wine is light-bodied with excellent acidity, giving the wine a crisp, clean and refreshing finish.

This wine is delightful as a refreshing aperitif during the summer months. It also pairs beautifully with seafood, especially scallops and with Mediterranean summer salads.



COMPOSITION: 100% Pinot Grigio
VINEYARD SOURCE: Clover Creek
PRODUCTION: 78 cases
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 13.3%
PH: 3.36
TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.66 g/100ml
CELLARING POTENTIAL: 1 to 2 years
BOTTLE PRICE: \$25.00

More New Releases

These new releases and library releases were shipped to the Grand Tastevin Order members in March and are now available to all our Club members:

2020 PINK WINE - CUVÉE JUNE & VIVIAN

This is the first Pink Wine that we've produced from Pinot Noir grapes. We chose to use the Dijon 115 & 667 clones from our estate vineyard, Fe Ciega, for this wine.



The wine has a medium ruby red color. The aromas are a blend of strawberries and cranberries with a hint of potpourri. On the palate, the wine is light- to medium-bodied with flavors similar to those of the aroma. The wine has excellent acidity which gives it a long, crisp and refreshing finish.

This rosé is perfect for spring and summer picnics. Pair it with a crab stuffed avocado or a cheese and charcuterie plate. Serve moderately chilled.

Bottle Price: \$28.00

2019 GRACIANO - TWO WOLVES VINEYARD

This is our second release of Graciano, a rare varietal in California but widely planted in several wine regions of Spain. After tasting our first vintage I became enamored with the varietal's unique aroma and flavor profile.

The wine has a vivid, medium-dark ruby color. The aromas can be described as a complex mix of leather and black cherries with hints of cloves and cinnamon in the background. On the palate, the wine is light- to medium-bodied with flavors of currants and black cherries. The moderate tannins and high acidity give the wine a crisp and lingering finish.

This wine will pair well with duck, roasted chicken and would be an excellent accompaniment to Thanksgiving Day turkey, with all the trimmings.

Bottle Price: \$35.00

DON'T MISS OUT! If you would like to receive the two additional Grand Tastevin Order shipments per year and have not already signed up, please email info@longoriawine.com or phone 805-736-9700. You must be a Wine Club Member to sign up for the Grand Tastevin Order. **Grand Tastevin members receive their wine 30 days prior to it being released to the public.**

LIBRARY RELEASE

2013 PINOT NOIR - FE CIEGA VINEYARD

It's always a pleasure to release an older vintage of Pinot Noir from our estate vineyard, Fe Ciega. This wine retains its dark ruby color with no noticeable hint of browning in the edges. The aromas are still fresh and are a complex blend of dried fruit, spices and tobacco. On the palate the wine has a rich texture, followed by complex flavors that are similar to those of the aromas. The silky tannins and excellent acidity gives the wine a long and complex finish. As to be expected from this "grand cru" vineyard site, this wine is aging remarkably well.

Bottle Price: \$75.00



LIBRARY RELEASE

2014 PINOT NOIR - SANFORD & BENEDICT VINEYARD

Every vintage I relish the opportunity to produce wine from this iconic Sta. Rita Hills vineyard. It has retained its medium-dark ruby color with no signs of browning in the edges. The aromas are a blend of black cherries and cranberries with a hint of vanillin in the background. On the palate the wine has a rich, round texture with flavors similar to those found in the aromas. The finish has a hint of the sweet oak derived from the 39% new French oak barrels used for aging. This wine is wonderfully balanced with a full rich body, yet with mild tannins and excellent acidity.

Bottle Price: \$70.00



2021 Tentative Schedule of Releases

The wines included in your shipment will vary according to your Wine Club Selection

WINE CLUB

October: 2019 Chardonnay, Cuvée Diana
2019 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard
2019 Tempranillo, Santa Ynez Valley

GRAND TASTEVIN ORDER

You must also be a member of the Wine Club to receive these wines

November: 2019 Pinot Noir, A Noir Supreme
2019 Cabernet Franc, Santa Barbara County
2019 Evidence, Santa Barbara County
2016 Merlot, Alisos Vineyard (Library Wine)

Longoria Current and New Releases

NEW RELEASES IN THIS SHIPMENT	BOTTLE PRICE	15% DISCOUNT	20% DISCOUNT
2020 Albariño, Clover Creek Vineyard	\$25.00	\$21.25	\$20.00
2019 Pinot Noir, Sanford & Benedict Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2018 Red Wine, Marston's Cuvée	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00

CURRENT RELEASES	BOTTLE PRICE	15% DISCOUNT	20% DISCOUNT
2020 Pinot Grigio, Santa Ynez Valley	\$25.00	\$21.25	\$20.00
2020 Pink Wine, Cuvée June & Vivian	\$28.00	\$23.80	\$22.40
2016 Chardonnay, Cuvée Diana	\$45.00	\$38.25	\$36.00
2018 Chardonnay, Cuvée Diana	\$45.00	\$38.25	\$36.00
2018 Pinot Noir, Lovely Rita	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2019 Pinot Noir, Lovely Rita	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2016 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard	\$55.00	\$46.75	\$44.00
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2018 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard	\$55.00	\$46.75	\$44.00
2016 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard Block M	\$75.00	\$63.75	\$60.00
2018 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard Block M	\$75.00	\$63.75	\$60.00
2015 Pinot Noir, La Encantada Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2016 Pinot Noir, La Encantada Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2018 Pinot Noir, La Encantada Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2015 Pinot Noir, Sanford & Benedict Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
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2018 Pinot Noir, Sanford & Benedict Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2017 Pinot Noir, A Noir Supreme	\$70.00	\$59.50	\$56.00
2017 Blues Cuvée, Santa Barbara County	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
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2016 Cabernet Franc, Santa Ynez Valley	\$48.00	\$40.80	\$38.40
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2018 Cabernet Franc, Santa Ynez Valley	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2018 Graciano, Two Wolves Vineyard	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
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2016 Grenache, Santa Barbara County	\$30.00	\$25.50	\$24.00
2018 Grenache, Santa Ynez Valley	\$30.00	\$25.50	\$24.00
2016 Evidence, Bordeaux-Style Blend	\$70.00	\$59.50	\$56.00
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2017 Syrah, Santa Barbara County	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2018 Syrah, Santa Barbara County	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2013 Syrah Reserva, Alisos Vineyard	\$45.00	\$38.25	\$36.00
2018 Tempranillo, Santa Ynez Valley	\$36.00	\$30.60	\$28.80
2014 Syrah, <i>Vino Dulce</i> , Port-Style Wine (375ml)	\$23.00	\$19.55	\$18.40

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