



# Locals Choice Wine Club

March 2009 Tasting Notes

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Hello Locals Choice Club Members,

We were beginning to get a little crazy around here discussing rain dances and obscure rain inducing rituals...and just when we thought that there was no hope of rain, it started to pour. Now we have the luxury of complaining about all the wet weather! But, in truth, we are well aware of the fact that we are lucky to be getting our feet wet. Spring is on the way and the rain is making us all feel a little more upbeat about things. It's not hard right now to find things to worry about – heck, we are a small business and feel very responsible for the wonderful and very loyal wineries we represent. We are proud of the wines we bring to you and offer to our visitors at Locals, and more than ever we appreciate the Local's customers who return again and again despite the rollercoaster ride that is our economy. We'll do our best to make it worth your while! And on that note, we hope that you will enjoy the particularly delicious wines we have selected for you this time around.

We have also been looking ahead. We've added our first sparkling wine to the Locals lineup (more about that in a future email!) and will soon be able to let you in on the names of two very special new wineries that have joined Locals. Stay tuned!

Here at the tasting room the past two weekends were all about what's next as we and a host of enthusiastic guests tried a variety of barrel samples and got excited about vintages to come. You can be sure we found some wines destined for future greatness...and for your table. It is one of the great pleasures of our business to do the detective work for you of scouting out wonderful new finds to send your way. Our intention remains as it ever was, to offer you a truly unique wine club that spans a broad range of varietals, prices, and wine making styles.

To thank you for your continued patronage, we offer you a week of free shipping. Your free shipping code this month is LCFRSH39 and your order window is between Friday, April 17th and Friday, April 24th. (**Maximum** order for free shipping is 3 cases with a **maximum of one case to Alaska and Hawaii**) Your 45-day follow-up discount applies to all orders placed before May 1, 2009.



Finally, we just wanted to share something beautiful with you, because – though it is good to keep up with what’s in the papers – sometimes you just need to look away for a moment and remember what is essential.

***Early Spring* by Rainer Maria Rilke**

Harshness vanished. A sudden softness  
has replaced the meadows’ wintry grey.  
Little rivulets of water changed  
their singing accents. Tendernesses,

hesitantly, reach toward the earth  
from space, and country lanes are showing  
these unexpected subtle risings  
that find expression in the empty trees

May your spring be as wet - or as dry as - wherever you live needs it to be!

Cheers from all of us at Locals

PS. Don’t forget, this month members of the **Locals Choice Reds Only Club** will be getting the two red wines, and members of the **Locals Choice Club** will be getting one red and one white wine selection. Members of our **Pinks and Whites Club** will be receiving a white and a sparkling wine.

Detailed tasting notes for all the wines can be found, as usual, at [www.tastelocalwines.com/tasting\\_notes/](http://www.tastelocalwines.com/tasting_notes/) and some wonderful wine pairing recipes are ready for you at [www.tastelocalwines.com/recipes/](http://www.tastelocalwines.com/recipes/).

***Locals Choice Club Selections***

**2007 Portalupi Bianco White Blend**

\$14 Retail, Club Price \$11.90  
45-day follow up price \$11.20

**2005 Ramazzotti Ricordo Zinfandel Blend**

\$30 Retail, Club Price \$25.50  
45-day follow up price \$24.00

***Locals Choice Reds Only Club***

**2007 Portalupi Barbera**

\$30 Retail, Club Price \$25.50  
45-day follow up price \$24.00

**2005 Ramazzotti Ricordo Zinfandel Blend**

\$30 Retail, Club Price \$25.50  
45-day follow up price \$24.00

***Locals Choice Pinks and Whites Club***

**2006 Eric Ross Chardonnay**

\$25 Retail, Club Price \$21.25  
45-day follow up price \$20.00

**2007 Ramazzotti Frizzante Blanc de Blanc**

\$35 Retail, Club Price \$29.75  
45-day follow up price \$28.00

Locals is open Everyday from 11am to 6pm.

We always enjoy hearing from you .

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