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TRI-CITIES WINE SOCIETY



PROJECTED COMING EVENTS

Saturday, September 25
Wines of South Africa, CG Public House

Saturday, November 6
Harvest Mini-Festival, Barnard Griffin Winery

Sunday, December 5
Holiday Wine & Cheese Tasting, Allied Arts



WINES OF SOUTH AFRICA

Saturday, September 25 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. CG Public House

Join us for an adventure in wine tasting! We are pleased to have an exciting program for you on the wines of South Africa lead by a winemaker who is a native of South Africa. His name is Dirk Brink. Perhaps you have heard of him as he is a well-known and very well-respected winemaker in our local wine industry.

South Africa is an interesting country to visit. The tourist industry there features *safaris* where one can see and photograph a variety of exotic wildlife. It also features wine tours where the wine aficionado can find a full range of wines and wine styles from sparkling wines to port-style wines and everything in between.

South Africa has a long history of winemaking. The first wine was produced in 1659. After the end of Apartheid, the focus has been the production of quality wines for the international market. South Africa ranks 8th in the world as a wine exporter. With most vineyards located in the Western Cape, their grapes include many of the popular varieties we are familiar with. South Africa's signature grape variety is Pinotage, an interesting cross between Pinot Noir and Cinsaut. Some international varieties have local names such as Chenin Blanc called Stein and Riesling know as Weisser Riesling or Crouchen depending on where it is grown.

What you should know about COVID-19 precautions.

For the health and safety of our members and guests who are attending events, the Tri-Cities Wine Society will follow the Washington State guidelines for restaurants. When you come into the facility, please wear a facemask. When you are seated at the table where you will be eating and drinking, you may remove your facemask. Anyone serving food and beverages will wear a face covering. Remember to wear a facemask when leaving the table for any reason.

All information on events is sent to members by email. Reservations for events are made through the website www.tricitieswinesociety.com.

(References: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Africa_wine; Wall Street Journal, August 24, 2020)

Our South African tasting will feature a selection of quality wines. For the reception wine, we will begin with a sparkling wine, 2019 Graham Beck Brut. This will be followed by 3 flights of 2 wines each.

The 1st flight features 2 white wines, 2017 Spier Chenin Blanc and a 2018 De Wetshof Chardonnay. A caramelized onion tart and crab cake with aioli will be served with these 2 whites.

The 2nd flight highlights Pinotage. We have chosen a 2017 Guillermo Painted Wolf Pinotage, Swartland (rated 91 pts.) and a 2016 Kanonkop Pinotage (rated 93 pts.) These will be accompanied with Gouda cheese and beef stew enhanced with a special South African spice blend.

The 3rd flight compares 2017 Stark-Conde Stellenbosch, Cabernet Sauvignon (rated 96 pts.) and 2018 Jam Jar Sweet Shiraz. These are accompanied with beef crostini and sugar rolled donut hole.

Make your reservations on the website today!

WINES OF SOUTH AFRICA

Dolly Ammann, Chairman

Date: Saturday, September 25
Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Location: CG Public House & Catering 9221 W. Clearwater, Kennewick

Members, \$56; guests, \$66

Limit: 40

Cost:

Cutoff: Tuesday, September 14

Make reservations: tricitieswinesociety.com.

Cancellation requests to Cher Case, 509-221-1659 or email <u>ca_case@hotmail.com</u>, before Tuesday, September 14.