NOVEMBER '24 WINE FAM

Greetings awesome fam!

As the breeze cools down, bringing with it that all-too-familiar autumn chill, we begin to think about the holidays (okay, and football). And what do the holidays bring to mind? Food. Drink. Family/friends. Pretty much the pillars of life, right there. Again, we want to thank you for allowing us to procure 4 special wines for you. It's a labor of love, and I'm thankful and proud to share them with all of you.

This 4-pack was carefully curated with the holidays in mind and specifically focused on our (probably) most favorite wine country....ITALY. We've got bubbles, an entry level nebbiolo, an aged Tuscan style blend, and a big, bad barolo. We pictured these all sitting on your holiday dining table, each one easily complementing appetizers, side dishes, all the way to the entrees. We are hoping you'll agree we hit the mark.

*****Also, we recently changed over the wine list in the inventory and we have some "extra" wine sitting around. We are making these wines available to you at our COST. Please take a look at the list that is the last page in this packet (the number in parentheses are what we have available). Let us know what you'd like, first to respond, gets it held for them, and we will set it aside for you when you pick up your 4-pack this month. We will hold open this opportunity for the Wine Fam until 11/19*****

We look forward to serving you at the restaurant during this meaningful time of the year. We understand time gets very limited around the holidays, so it means that much more when we have the pleasure of seating you at our table.

Cheers!
Mike Luther
owner/executive chef

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CANTINA ZACCAGNINI - Abruzzo, Italy 'Brut Blanc de Blancs'

Established in the early 1970's in Bolognano, located in the heart of Abruzzo at the base of Gran Sasso - the highest mountain in the Apienne range, Marcello Zaccagnini's philosophy has always been tied to the land. The estate's vineyards are organically farmed, but not certified. The tralcetto (stick on the bottle) is an actual grapevine cutting from the vineyards that is cut and tied by hand onto each bottle, representing the connection between the wine and the land.

The wine is 100% Pecorino, an indigenous white grape rescued from obscurity. Pecorino is found across eastern central Italy, producing very fresh, nutty-flavored wines. This wine has a pale lemon yellow in color with greenish highlights. It has a fine and persistent perlage. Fruity aromas include notes of citrus, apple, pear and aromatic herbs. The wine is fresh, lively and medium structured. Enjoy with charcuterie, fresh salads, sushi or seafood.

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VILLARDORIA - Serralunga d'Alba, Langhe, Italy 'Langhe Nebbiolo D.O.C Bricco Magno'

Bricco Magno is a wine with a long history: its label shows an original 1899 painting found in the Cappalotto farmhouse, depicting the vineyard which rises in front of Villadoria cellars. The name means 'Great Hill', which is a good name for a wine born many years ago, the brainchild of Pietro and Daniele Lanzavecchia and now the Villadoria brand's ambassador the world over. It is modern in style and encompasses the power of its land of origin and the modernity of today's techniques. The grapes come from carefully selected Langhe vineyards. It is ruby red in color with garnet highlights. On the nose it has violet, rose, vanilla and cocoa aromas. In the mouth it is warm, full-bodied, velvety, rounded and long lasting, with an all encompassing, harmonious finish. Pronounced but well rounded. Pair this with meat based pasta and/or aged cheeses.

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MUSELLA - Verona, Italy 'Cosmo' IGT Verona Rosso (2011)

Musella is a winery located in Valpolicella just outside of Verona. Known mostly for their Amarone and Valpolicella, this wine is a departure for them. They don't make it often as this is the latest vintage for the 'Cosmo' but it is reminiscent of some of the best super Tuscans you can find. The name Cosmo indicates a wine meant to last for eternity.

This is a sophisticated cuvee of cabernet sauvignon and merlot. Ruby in color, a palate harkening black cherries, mint, and aromatic herbs on the nose. Excellent acidity and gripping tannins on the palate with a persistent finish.

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MASSIMO RATTALINO - Piedmont, Italy 'Trentaquattro34' Barolo DOCG

Massimo Rattalino's professional history starts far from Barbaresco's vineyards, but with its prestigious hills, the area becomes love at first sight. His infatuation is so intense it persuades him to settle down and make the Langhe region his new home. It is here, surrounded by the spectacular and prestigious vineyards of Montestefano, that his dream to become a winemaker begins to shape. Almost the entire production - with the exception of a few plots - is to Nebbiolo. Focusing on the regions of Barbaresco and Barolo. Nebbiolo is a noble and austere vine that has much to tell, and that only through great care, can express itself with elegance and longevity. The care of the vineyards is precise, even with the variability of nature. Careful management of the vineyards and hang harvesting, is essential to successfully face the numerous climatic challenges and to bring high quality grapes to the cellar.

This wine is aged 24 months in large Slavonian oak barrels, 12 months in steel tanks and then 6 months in the bottle. It is powerful, austere, elegant wine. The nose gives fragrant sensations of rose,

violet and rhubarb that evolve with age into spicy notes, black pepper, and truffle. Flavors are matched in the mouth with a balanced and lasting finish. Pairing this with red meats and wild game are recommended. In particular lamb, prime rib, and venison are excellent candidates.

WHITE WINES

LUCASHOF riesling '22, pfalz, germany - 15 (3)

SCHLOSSKELLEREI GOBELSBURG riesling '21, kamptal, austria – 18 (3)

DOMAINE WEINBACH riesling '21, alsace, france - 25 (3)

STOLPMAN VINEYARDS roussanne '19, ballard canyon, california - 23 (2)

ARNAUD LAMBERT chenin blanc '22, 'clos du midi', brézé, loire, france - 18 (2)

CHÂTEAU DE LA FONT DU LOUP roussanne blend '19, châteauneuf-du-pape - 38 (4) **SÉGUINOT-BORDET** chardonnay '21 burgundy, france - 16 (4)

LANGTRY FARMS viognier blend '18, 'lillie's blend', lake county, california - 21 (2)

ARONA sauvignon blanc '22 marlborough, new zealand - 12 (4)

SERGE DAGUENEAU sauvignon blanc '22 pouilly-fumé, loire, france-26 (2)

CLOS PEGASE chardonnay '21, 'mitsuko's vineyard', napa, cali - 21 (4)

RED WINES

NAPA CUT cabernet sauvignon '19, napa valley, california - 22 (2)

STOLPMAN VINEYARDS syrah/viognier '21, 'crunchy roastie', ballard canyon, cali - 21 (2)

STOLPMAN VINEYARDS sangiovese '18, ballard canyon, california - 24 (5)

STOLPMAN VINEYARDS field blend '19, ballard canyon, california - 22 (7)

STOLPMAN VINEYARDS mourvèdre '20, ballard canyon, california - 34 (3)

ALEMANY I CORRIO red blend '19, 'el microscopi', penedes, catalonia, spain - 19 (2)

MOTHER ROCK red blend '21, 'holocene', swartland, south africa - 28 (2)

HENSCHKE shiraz '21, 'henry's seven', barossa, australia - 28 (2)

DAS JUICE red blend '22, mclaren vale, australia - 19 (2)