

The New York Times

Opening This Week
by Florence Fabricant
August 23, 2006

"WINE & ROSES: Todd Klein likes to say that this wine bar and cafe is his 25th anniversary gift to his wife, Jennifer, who will run it. The bar, with seating at white marble counters, is to open tomorrow. Mrs. Klein has stocked...more"

"...raising the bar!"

Chosen by **TimeOut** food critics

The TONY 100

"The space that once housed the 'World of Nuts and Ice Cream' was transformed into an elegant destination featuring wine from small producers (45 by the glass, over 150 by the bottle), brick walls, and a U-shaped, marble bar lined with candles and fresh roses. It's no wonder Wine and Roses is a hit with couples. The beret wearing owner, Todd Klein, got it as an anniversary gift for his wife Jennifer. Here's to husbands raising the bar!..."

-TimeOut food critics

"LIVELY, LOVELY, WINE BAR"
by Yon Motkin

"A white marble bar and exposed brick walls set the stage for a lively yet romantic husband-and-wife-run Upper West Side wine bar. Sophisticated couples in blazers and heels fill their stomachs with Mediterranean snacks, while over a hundred boutique wines from France, Italy and California help down the stress from their toddler being put on the prep-school wait list."

The New York Times

"...This Pinot's for You"
By Caroline H. Dworin

May 13, 2007 "...In the opinion of Todd Klein, who helped his wife, Jennifer Klein, open the wine bar Wine and Roses on Columbus Avenue near West 73rd Street eight months ago, it was only a matter of time before wine bar entrepreneurs took advantage of the neighborhood's new character. "The experience of going out is built more around the neighborhood now," said Mr. Klein, a longtime local resident. And more wine bars are to come. ...Ms. Klein herself is seeking to open a second location in the area. ...She said, "...how great would it be if the Upper West Side became wine alley..."

"New York's Top Romantic Date Spots"
by Melanie Bertier - CitySearch Editor Review
February 8, 2010

"...Much like the art of seduction, the art of wine pairing can be tricky. But this Upper West Side spot, which boasts an award-winning wine list, makes picking the vino easy, so you can spend more time gazing at your lover and less time scouring a lengthy menu. Dim lighting and comfort food offerings like quiche and baked ham also make Wine & Roses a quality spot for wooing..."

Winter Bar Guide 2008 - 2009
"Best Places"

"Parents in town? Let a visit to this upscale vino bar prove what a sophisticate you've become since college. The place serves dozens of reds and whites by the glass, all from boutique wineries, and the list changes every few weeks. Laid out to encourage cross-pollination of groups, the nook fills up fast—but doesn't accept reservations. However, owner Jennifer Klein has been known to let a "really sweet" e-mail persuade her otherwise."

"...a classier way..."
by Wendy Ilene Friedman

December 27, 2007 "Jennifer and Todd Klein opened Wine and Roses on Columbus Avenue and consistently hosts a full house...an upscale crowd of all ages..."

Columbus Avenue re-enters the city's hot nightlife scene

Wine & Roses... "providing a broad selection of fine wines and light fare to dedicated crowds of discerning patrons."

January 2007

"FOR THE BEST WINES AROUND THE WORLD, IT MAKES SENSE TO VISIT A PLACE WHERE EVERYTHING REVOLVES AROUND THE WINE. Proprietor Jennifer Klein heads up this ultra-chic wine bar on Columbus Avenue where sophisticates gather for superb wine and down-to-earth pastas, paninis, salads, specialty meals, global cheeses, and more. With Alfredo seating and a white marble bar against a brick wall backdrop, the elegant atmosphere sets the stage for wine lovers that all smiles and lots of fun. The intimate venue is perfect for private parties and romantic nights out. ...An experience unlike any other in New York...one of the best wine bars in the city."

May 24, 2007 "...Fourteen finalists were chosen for yesterday's mix-off from hundreds of drink recipes sent by city bartenders to the Department of Consumer Affairs and the state restaurant association. The first runner-up, (Jennifer Klein's Wine & Roses) "Champrosa" was cocktail of rose water champagne and blueberry pomegranate juice with edible rose petals on top."

2007 "For former catering company owner, Jennifer Klein, starting a wine bar brand (she plans to open several more in the next two years) was the beginning of the second phase of her life. "I had gone to wine bars in Europe and saw they were becoming more popular," she says. With that instinct she recently opened the first Wine & Roses on Manhattan's Upper West Side. "We wanted a communal atmosphere that revolves around the wine, brings people together, no matter what age." ...

The Guide to the Good Life

"Not all wine bars pair the fruit of their cellar with fancy cheeses; that's cooking matches up just as nicely. Home's the theory, at least, behind Wine & Roses. This new wine bar is operated by Todd Klein and his wife, Jennifer. Look for patés and panini to be combined with a selection of approximately 200 different bottles of wine. Wine & Roses, 286 Columbus Ave., New York, 212-579-9463."

February 2008

Things We Love

City's Most Enchanted Locales

"For an apres-opera party, a lovely destination is Wine & Roses, a neighborhood wine bar. How romantic is this cafe? Owner Todd Klein gave it to his wife, Jennifer, for their 25th Anniversary." - where magazine

wit, wisdom, women.

'TOP TEN' WINE BARS IN NEW YORK
by Brindley Lee Macon

April 2, 2010

"Wine and Roses. The rich and famous, movie stars and television stars often come to this ten best selection. Wine and Roses is chic and elegant. You'll find the best wine and food menu in town. If you want a chance of spotting a famous star out on the town, visit this spectacular venue."



- RESTAURANT REVIEW -

MAY 19, 2010

"UPPER WEST SIDE WONDER!"

"Wine & Roses is a classic neighborhood eatery and bar."
by Paolina Rella

"Wine and Roses is one of the hottest wine bars on the Upper West Side. Celebrities and neighborhood regulars enjoy the down to earth atmosphere, great wine selection and delicious casual meals from pasta to paninis and more. The international and local cheese offerings make it a perfect place to relax and enjoy a classic New York evening. Jennifer Klein and her husband Todd have been UWS residents for over 30 years and have worked hard to make this a destination with a neighborhood feel. "We are so happy to be a part of the New Taste of the Upper West Side," said Jennifer. "We love this neighborhood and are always happy to give back to it as it has been so good to us." Look for some of their sensational desserts at the tasting. This decadent and delicious event will showcase some of the best local award winning talent including...Jennifer's award winning Champrosa!

AWARD OF DISTINCTION 2008 & 2009

"Congratulations Wine & Roses. You've been selected as one of the nation's most wine-friendly restaurants. Yours is one of a select number of restaurants in North America to be honored with this recognition. It represents your dedication to delivering the most wine-friendly experience to your patrons. We are proud that, through your commitment and creativity, you have helped make wine an important part of the total dining experience." - Wine Enthusiast Magazine

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May 9, 2010 "Emily Blunt and John Krasinski swirling chardonnay under the stars at Jennifer Klein's WINE & ROSES sidewalk cafe on Columbus Avenue."

February 18, 2010

"Brooke Shields sipping Pouilly-Fuissé at the bar of Jennifer Klein's WINE & ROSES on the Upper West Side."

January 25, 2010 "SNL star Abby Elliott, the youngest cast member of 'Saturday Night Live,' sipping vino at WINE & ROSES on Columbus Avenue while catching a rerun of 'SNL' on the TV above the bar."

December 16, 2009 "WE HEAR that Wine & Roses restaurateur Jennifer Klein and husband Todd are toasting their 29th anniversary tomorrow at Studio 54 by taking in Carrie Fisher's hit show, Wishful Drinking."

November 27, 2009 "SNL star Kristen Wiig getting many compliments on her new, short, blond shag from beau Brian Petsos and friends Pinchot Kind and Noah Emmerich as she swirled a midnight drink at WINE & ROSES..."

August 20, 2009 "Tiffani Thiessen sipping Sancerre with her friend Maria Padro at Jennifer Klein's WINE & ROSES on Columbus Avenue."

April 5, 2009 "WE HEAR that Scott Adsit, Michael Urie and Rachel Dratch partied hard at Jennifer Klein's WINE & ROSES on Columbus Avenue after the Celebrity Autobiography show the other night at the Triad Theater where Vanessa Williams read Ivana Trump and Craig Bierko read The Jonas Bros."

March 27, 2008 "CELEBRITY WRAP - Monday night's wrap party for Celebrity Autobiography brought the play's stars - Rachel Dratch, Richard Kind, 'LateNet' host Jay Ellis, 'The View' host Sherri Shepherd, Kristen Johnston, Caroline Rhea, Alan Cumming and Matthew Broderick to WINE & ROSES on the Upper West Side. Lori Singer from 'Footloose' was there, too, and she's a concert cellist now, in case anyone was wondering." A spy told Page Six: "And Alan was kissing everyone at the party..."

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September 25, 2009

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE @ Wine & Roses
Abbey Elliot, Jenny Slate, Nasim Pedrad

The New York Times
Diner's Journal

"Football with a Fine Bouquet"
By Frank Brunni
Sommeliers & Wine Directors

December 11, 2006 "...The more recent arrival, on Columbus Avenue between West 73rd and West 74th streets, is called Wine & Roses. The lovely name and lovely setting don't prepare you for what you often find there, for the way some of its patrons pass their time. As they sip their chardonnay, they gaze into a high corner of the cozy space where a television set plays the sporting event of the moment.

I walked by Wine & Roses early Sunday afternoon, when the New York Giants were playing the Carolina Panthers. Sure enough, the game was on..."

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BEST NYC Wine Bars with OUTDOOR SPACE

May 2009

"Wine & Roses -- This is the place for wine-loving Upper West Siders and the people who love them... This is a great spot, but be forewarned, it fills up quickly. Having received Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence in 2007 and 2008, Wine & Roses has a laudable 40 wines by the glass and nearly 200 wines by the bottle with a well-rounded cheese list."

OPEN 7 NIGHTS A WEEK

DECEMBER 12, 2009

"Wine and Roses is not shy about employing its namesake flower in as many ways as possible: roses are on every table, and petals are scattered on the ground in the outside seating area. The sort of ...romantic vibe continues through to the bar's back story: the place itself was a gift to the owner from her husband on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Otherwise, the focus is on wine - each selection on the menu is described quasi-poetically (think pinotras like 'layers of root' and 'dried flowers and blackberry'). But the knowledgeable, decidedly unpretentious staff will not dissuade you from ordering a Pinot Grigio with your plate of assorted meats."

A full menu of food-from bar snacks to pasta dishes to rich chocolate desserts-is also available, as well as a small selection of beers. The cozy space steadily fills with pairs of after-work corporate casuals starting around seven in the evening, but rarely feels too crowded." - Kelsey Osgood

"THINGS ARE LOOKING UP FOR THE WEST SIDE!"

Summer 2007: "Jennifer Klein, the owner manager has worked in the wine and food business for 15 years...with the help from husband Todd...has transformed this into a communal home for all Westside wine lovers...The single room has high ceilings, exposed brick, and restored tables. The U-shaped, marble topped bar is surrounded by high tables and comfortable stools. The tall windows fronting the street look out on sidewalk patios in the summer and give the place a distinct European flair. A noted consulting sommelier helped Jennifer assemble a list of 150 choices by the bottle and 25-30 by the glass...All regions are represented...The tall lovely Jennifer plans the menu as well, picking what will pair well, like the delicious Swedish meatballs. Salads, pasta, cured meats, and paninis round out the menu. Things are looking up for the West Side!"

July 2010

"The brainchild of husband-and-wife team Jennifer and Todd Klein, Wine and Roses is an upscale neighborhood wine bar on the Upper West Side. In a tasteful setting of exposed brick walls, dark wood and marble countertops with fresh roses (hence the name), a carefully selected wine list comprising small producers off the beaten path has been the draw to this place. A light fare menu accompanies the superb wine list void of corporate and commercial wines."

Vitae Summa Brevis
"They are not long, the days of wine and roses. Out of a misty dream Our path emerges for a while, then closes Within a dream."
- Ernest Dowson (1867-1900)

Jennifer's Favorite Photos

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Wine Spectator Magazine
Award of Excellence

Jennifer Klein's Wine & Roses "is honored by Wine Spectator for having one of the most outstanding restaurant wine lists in the world."
- WINE SPECTATOR MAGAZINE

Jennifer Klein
co-owner

AWARD WINNING WINE LIST & FOOD MENU
Over 38 wines by the glass, and 180 by the bottle of specially selected wines from around the world stored in temperature controlled EuroCaves and served in fine crystal stemware.
WINE LIST DESCRIPTION...

FABULOUS FOOD MENU
Jennifer's delicious creations surround your wine and your senses.
FOOD MENU...

DECEMBER 2, 2009

CHILLING OUT AT W&R

Aerosmith's Steven Tyler & Todd Klein
Nightly music featuring Todd's exclusive iPod mixes of pop, jazz, rock, r&b, and just some really good stuff!

Restaurateurs of the Year
2007 WEST SIDE SPIRIT AWARD
Jennifer & Todd Klein

"CLASS ACT ON COLUMBUS"

"A husband and wife duo's sophisticated friend-out"
by Wendy Ilene Friedman

November 1, 2007 - "With its tasteful, cool interior of exposed brick walls, dark wood and a room defining marble counter-top, Upper West Siders Jennifer and Todd Klein have transformed what was once a "World of Nuts" shop into a much-needed upscale adult wine bar called Wine & Roses. "We were in need of a grown-up place," Co-Owner Jennifer Klein said. As Zagat's said, "It's the first adult bar on the Upper West Side." The bar, on Columbus Avenue between West 73rd and 74th Streets, was a neighborhood favorite from day one. The proprietors visualized a place where people could gather and enjoy themselves. They succeeded. Although it opened just a little more than a year ago, the establishment is busy every night. "They took such joy in the project," said Barbara Adler, executive director of the Columbus Avenue Business Improvement District (BID). "They put their heart and soul into it. The payoff is that they were an instant success." The husband-and-wife team did a complete renovation of the building. During the construction they continually discovered elements of the landmark building's pre-war structure behind walls and in the ceiling. "We kept digging and we kept finding," Jennifer Klein said. Inside the bar, fresh roses on each table, a meticulously clean sidewalk cafe and floral-shaped ceiling lamps add to its ambiance. The light fare menu complement the most notable element of the eatery -- the wine list. "We don't sell any corporate wines," Jennifer said. "We use smaller producers. "They are a little different and off the beaten track." The bar was honored with the prestigious Wine Spectator award in 2007. The Kleins realized that their work, dedication and intensive study of wine-making had finally paid off. "When you put a lot of effort and you are appreciated, it feels good," Jennifer Klein said. And the neighborhood also appreciates them. At any time during the night the room is filled with a sophisticated crowd of singles, couples, friends, co-workers and first dates. "You'll find people from all over here," she said. "It's a communal-type place and caught on by word of mouth."

NEW YORK NIGHTLIFE

APRIL 1, 2008 -- "Need a spot to bring your significant other after a big fight that has all your fault? Wine & Roses is a modern, but still sexy wine bar that attracts oenophiles as well as amateurs. They've got an extensive selection from around the world, and New Zealand pinot noirs are not placed too far from New York State Rieslings. The experts here can pour you 40 wines by the glass and there are over 180 wines by the bottle (you might need them all if that fight was a biggie). Meticulously matched food pairings are offered as well. Open seven days a week and packed to the walls most weekends, it gets over by 11 and at night. They can accommodate your needs for parties and can help you set up a private wine tasting. Hmm...maybe privacy will be better!"

"Wine & Roses is packing them in, which is good for socializing singles. As wide ranging music plays, you can sample (45) wines by the glass, along with finger foods such as pizza bites and paninis... Just don't get too comfortable... There are plenty of other wine lovers jostling for your table."

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EDITOR REVIEW
"This sophisticated wine bar serves dozens of monthly changing reds and whites by the glass and over 100 by the bottle, all sourced from boutique wineries. The impressive 14-shaped granite bar makes for a great place to mingle with fellow winos - but with a seating capacity of only 35 the joint fills up fast, and they don't take reservations."

ZAGAT NIGHTLIFE
Ratings & Review

"Much needed in the Upper West Side scene...This easygoing wine bar is one of the few adult places to have a drink!"

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| Appeal | Decor | Service | Cost |
| 21 | 21 | 19 | \$13 |

WINE & ROSES

Photo by Todd Klein - September 11, 2006

Have you been to W&R? Please email Jennifer with your comments and your email address to put on our VIP mailing list.

February 14, 2007
Wine & Roses Gift Certificate (Red)

WINE AND ROSES

Jennifer & Todd