



RECOMMENDATIONS

Château Vignot, Saint Émilion Grand Cru 2004

As your nose nears the glass, the rich scent of red and black fruit and a mild hint of tobacco fill your senses and make your mouth water. Your first sip will make you smile as your mouth is filled with blackberry and raspberry. The soft creamy texture with a slight chocolaty finish will make you think "I should order the steak." 54.

York Creek, Cabernet Franc, Spring Mountain 2002

Rumor has it that Spring Mountain, on the hilltops between Napa and Sonoma, is one of the best places in California for cabernet franc and this wine proves it. Dark ruby in the glass with aromatic plum and a hint of herbs. The body expresses the plum, as well as a velvety dark chocolate, and finishes with a hint of Asian spice. 65.

HALF BOTTLES

Chianti Classico, Colfi Buono, *Tuscany* 2007 20.
Pinot Grigio, Alois Lageder, Alto Adige, *Italy* 2007 20.

All vintages subject to change • Wine corkage is \$20 per 750ml

BEVERAGE MANAGER ~ Steve Wastell



RICE WINES (SAKE)

375ML			
Junmai	Sho Chiku Bai Nama (organic)	<i>dry, full bodied, well balanced</i>	15.
Junmai	Senkin 'Nigori'	<i>sweet, rich and creamy</i>	13.
500ML			
Ginjo	Meibo Yowano Tsuki Aichi	<i>light & smooth, cantaloupe, green apple, mineral</i>	39.
Junmai Ginjo	Kaika Kazeno 'Flower in the Wind'	<i>refined sweetness, strawberry, cherry, peach</i>	45.
Daiginjo	Kamikokoro 'Heart of the God'	<i>fruity aromas, tranquil acidity</i>	85.
Junmai	Ohyama 'Nigori'	<i>unfiltered, light, creamy, floral aromas</i>	33.
720ML			
Junmai	Takenotsuyu Yamagata	<i>slight earth, licorice, cinnamon, lemon zest</i>	48.
Honjyozo	Haguro Yamagata	<i>mandarin orange, black tea, jasmine</i>	75.
Honjyozo	Kubota Senjyu Niigata	<i>banana cream pie, clove, nutmeg</i>	65.
Ginjo	Kikusui Niigata	<i>rose, mandarin orange, clean finish</i>	55.
Ginjo	Shimeharitsuru Jun Niigata	<i>honeysuckle, hint of tropical fruits</i>	65.
Ginjo	Suishin Tenjomukyu Hiroshima	<i>refined, round, refreshing</i>	75.
Junmai DG	Wakatake Onikoroshi	<i>clean, watermelon, slightly acidic</i>	79.
Daiginjo	Sharaku Fukushima	<i>nectarine, asian pear, sweet plum</i>	65.
Daiginjo	Obata Manotsuru 'Nature's Island'	<i>slightly acidic, licorice flavors, lush finish</i>	120.
Daiginjo	Kirinzan Niigata	<i>off-dry citrus essence, root-vegetable aromas</i>	175.

BUBBLES (CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING WINES)

USA	Piper Sonoma, 'Brut,' Sonoma, NV		31.
FRANCE	Bollinger 'La Grande Année,' AY, 1997		249.
	Duval-Leroy 'Blanc de Chardonnay,' Vertus, 1998		99.
	Duval-Leroy 'Cuvée Paris,' Leroy Neiman, Vertus, NV		76.
	Henriot 'Vintage Rosé Brut,' Champagne, 1998		155.
	Krug 'Champagne Grand Cuvée,' Reims, NV		180.
	Louis Roederer 'Brut Premier,' Reims, NV		99.
	Louis Roederer 'Cristal,' Reims, 2000		375.
	Moët & Chandon 'Cuvee Dom Perignon,' Epernay, 2000		295.
	Moët & Chandon 'White Star Brut,' Epernay, NV		65.
	Mumm Jubileum, Reims, NV		50.
	Perrier Jouet 'Fleur de Champagne,' Epernay, 1998		250.
	Perrier Jouet 'Grand Brut,' Epernay, NV		99.
	Taittinger, 'La Française Brut,' Reims, NV		119.
	Veuve Clicquot, Yellow Label, Reims, NV		119.
	Veuve Clicquot, Rosé Brut, Reims, NV		165.



RACEY WHITES

USA	Ferrari Carano, Fumé Blanc, <i>Sonoma, 2008</i>	36.
	Tablas Creek, Grenache Blanc, <i>San Luis Obispo, 2004</i>	59.
	Longoria, Pinot Grigio, <i>Santa Barbara, 2008</i>	43.
	Edward Sellers, Roussanne / Marsanne / Viognier, <i>Paso Robles, 2006</i>	64.
	Chalk Hill, Sauvignon Blanc, <i>Sonoma, 2006</i>	59.
	Emmolo, Sauvignon Blanc, <i>Napa Valley, 2008</i>	36.
	Star Lane Vineyard 'Estate', Sauvignon Blanc, <i>Santa Ynez Valley, 2006</i>	46.
FRANCE	Tavel, Rosé, Prieure de Montezargues, <i>Rhone Valley, 2007</i>	59.
	Michel Redde, Sauvignon Blanc, <i>Sancerre, 2007</i>	42.
	Château d'Yquem, 'Lur Saluces,' Semillon, <i>Sauternes, 1997/2003</i>	880./850.
	Terra des Papes, Viognier / Clairette / White Grenache, <i>Rhone Valley, 2008</i>	36.
Marc Bredif, Vouvray, <i>Loire Valley, 2006</i>	42.	
GERMANY	Domaine Weinbach, Gewürztraminer, <i>Alsace, 2004</i>	74.
	Zind Humbrecht, Pinot d'Alsace, Pinot Blanc, <i>Alsace, 2006</i>	54.
	Von Simmern, Eltviller Trocken (dry), Riesling, <i>Rheingau, 2007</i>	36.
	Von Simmern, Marcobrunn, Kabinett, Riesling, <i>Rheingau, 2006</i>	50.
SPAIN	Paco & Lola, Albariño, <i>Rias Baixas, 2007</i>	44.
NEW ZEALAND	Delta, Sauvignon Blanc, <i>Marlborough, 2007</i>	43.

CHARDS (CHARDONNAY)

USA	Au Bon Climat, <i>Santa Barbara, 2007</i>	39.
	Beringer, 'Private Reserve,' <i>Napa, 2006</i>	72.
	Brewer Clifton, Rancho Santa Rosa, <i>Santa Rita Hills, 2004</i>	89.
	Byron, <i>Santa Maria Valley, 2006</i>	55.
	Dutton-Goldfield, Dutton Ranch, <i>Russian River Valley, 2004</i>	66.
	Far Niente, <i>Napa, 2007</i>	99.
	Foxen, Bien Nacido Vineyard (un-oaked), <i>Santa Maria Valley, 2006</i>	63.
	Jordan, <i>Sonoma, 2007</i>	52.
	Ramey, Hudson Vineyard, <i>Carneros, 2002</i>	124.
	Stags Leap, 'Karia,' <i>Napa, 2007</i>	64.
FRANCE	Joseph Drouhin, Premier Cru, <i>Clos des Mouche, Cote de Beaune, 2002/2005</i>	165.
	Vaucoupin, Chablis, Premier Cru, <i>2005/2006</i>	77.



PINOTS (PINOT NOIR)

USA	Domaine Drouhin, <i>Willamette Valley</i> , 2006	84.
	Fiddlehead Cellars, 'Fiddlestix 728,' <i>Santa Rita Hills</i> , 2005	99.
	Foxen, Bien Nacido Vineyard, <i>Santa Maria Valley</i> , 2005	98.
	Dutton Goldfield, <i>Russian River Valley</i> , 2007	69.
	Siduri, <i>Sonoma County</i> , 2006/2007	48.
	Tuchard, <i>Carneros</i> , 2006	63.
AUSTRALIA	Tarma Ridge, <i>Tasmania</i> , 2004	57.
FRANCE	Joseph Drouhin Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru, <i>Burgundy</i> , 2002	202.
	Joseph Drouhin, Nuits St. George, 1er Cru, <i>Burgundy</i> , 2005	92.
GERMANY	Becker Estate, <i>Pfalz</i> , 2007	36.
NEW ZEALAND	Delta, <i>Marlborough</i> , 2006	42.

MEDITERRANEAN VARIETALS

USA	Edward Sellers, Grenache, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2004	50.
	David Bruce, Petite Syrah, <i>San Luis Obispo</i> , 2005	43.
	Nickel & Nickel 'Darien Vineyard,' Syrah, <i>Russian River Valley</i> , 2006	79.
	Foxen 'Williamson Dore,' Syrah, <i>Santa Ynez Valley</i> , 2005	80.
	Jada 'Jersey Girl', Syrah, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2006	74.
	Jada 'Hell's Kitchen,' Syrah/Grenache/Mourvedre/Tanat, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2007	93.
	Jada 'Mirror,' Syrah/Petit Verdot/Cabernet Sauvignon, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2007	74.
AUSTRALIA	Pirathon, Shiraz, <i>Barossa Valley</i> , 2005	54.
FRANCE	Beaumes de Venise, Syrah, <i>Rhone Valley</i> , 2005	54.
ITALY	'Don,' Nero d'Vola, <i>Sicily</i> , 2004	42.
	Bonacchi Chianti Riserva, 2003	44.
	Fornacina, Brunello di Mantelcino, 2003	120.
SPAIN	Scala Del 'Negre,' Garnacha, <i>Priorat</i> , 2006	33.
	Condado de Haza, Tempranillo, <i>Ribera del Duero</i> , 2005	66.
	Luis Canas, Tempranillo, <i>Rioja Reserve</i> , 2001	75.

MERLOTS

USA	Alexander Valley Vineyards, 'Wetzel Family Estate,' <i>Anderson Valley</i> , 2006	42.
	Pelton House, <i>Knights Valley</i> , <i>Sonoma</i> , 2004	60.
	San Simeon, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2004	46.
	Woodward Canyon, 'Nelms Road,' <i>Walla Walla Valley</i> , 2005	44.
FRANCE	Château Valery, Saint Émilion Grand Cru, 2003	57.



CAB FRANC (CABERNET FRANC)

Lang & Reed, <i>Napa</i> , 2007	49.
Vinum Cellar, 'The Scrapper,' <i>Napa</i> , 2004	77.
York Creek, 'Spring Mountain,' <i>Napa</i> , 2002	75.

ZINS (ZINFANDEL)

Eberle, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2006	51.
Neyers, 'Pato Vineyard,' <i>Contra Costa</i> , 2005	65.
Ridge, 'York Creek,' <i>Spring Mountain</i> , 2005	61.
Seghesio, 'Old Vine,' <i>Sonoma</i> , 2006	75.

CABS (CABERNET SAUVIGNON)

USA	Cakebread Cellars, <i>Napa</i> , 2005	129.
	Chimney Rock, Stag's Leap District, <i>Napa</i> , 2003/2005	222.
	Eberle, 'Estate Bottled,' <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2006	70.
	Freemark Abby, <i>Napa</i> , 2005	63.
	Jordan, <i>Sonoma</i> , 2005	93.
	Joseph Phelps, <i>Napa</i> , 2005	109.
	Lancaster Estate, <i>Napa</i> , 2001/2004	140.
	Merryvale, 'Beckstoffer Vineyard' Clone Six, <i>Rutherford</i> , 2003	125.
	Pahlmeyer, <i>Napa</i> , 2004	345.
	Riboli Family, <i>Rutherford</i> , <i>Napa</i> , 1999	94.
	Showkett Vineyards, <i>Oakville</i> , <i>Napa</i> , 2006	155.
	St. Supery, 'Dollar Hide Ranch,' <i>Napa</i> , 2002	149.
	Vine Cliff, 'Oakville,' <i>Napa</i> , 2005	150.
ARGENTINA	Broquel, <i>Mendoza</i> , 2006	31.
AUSTRALIA	Elderton, <i>Barossa</i> , 2004	62.

BOLD, IMAGINATIVE REDS & BORDEAUX BLENDS

USA	Jada 'Passing By,' Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2007	74.
	Conn Creek 'Anthology,' Cab/Merlot/Cab Franc, <i>Napa</i> , 2004	79.
	Merryvale 'Profile,' Cab/Merlot, <i>Napa</i> , 2003	150.
	Quintessa, Cab/Merlot/Cab Franc, <i>Napa</i> , 2002	220.
	Atlas Peak, <i>Claret</i> , <i>Napa</i> , 2003	170.
	Chateau St. Jean, 'Cinque Cepages,' Meritage, <i>Sonoma</i> , 2003	159.
	Justin 'Isosceles,' Meritage, <i>Paso Robles</i> , 2004	114.
	Rodney Strong 'Symmetry,' <i>Alexander Valley</i> , 2005	107.
FRANCE	Chateau Mille Rose, Haut Médoc, Cab/Merlot, <i>Bordeaux</i> , 2003	75.
	Chateau le Puy, Merlot/Cab, <i>Bordeaux (bio-dynamic)</i> , 2003	81.
	Chateau Cheval Blanc, 1er Grand Cru, Merlot/Cab Franc, <i>Saint Émilion</i> , 1999	769.
	Domain du Grand Ormeau, Merlot/Cab Franc/Cab Sauv, <i>Lalande de Pomerol</i> 2001	40.
ITALY	Arcanum, Cab/Merlot/Cab Franc, <i>Tuscany</i> , 2004	110.



YAMASHIRO has presided over Hollywood and its history for nearly a century — witnessing the birth of the film industry, the glamour of the city’s “Golden Age,” the difficult times of war with Japan and the more recent period of intense interest in Eastern cultures. Yamashiro, which means “Mountain Palace” in Japanese, began as a fabulous private estate and is now open to the public as a unique restaurant and public garden.

In 1911, the Bernheimer brothers had the dream of building a hilltop mansion 250 feet above Hollywood Boulevard to house their priceless collection of Asian treasures; that dream came to fruition just three years later. Hundreds of skilled craftsmen were brought from the Orient in 1914 to recreate an exact replica of a palace located in the Yamashiro Mountains near Kyoto, Japan. Today, you can still see the 600-year-old pagoda brought from Japan and set beside a lake that once housed rare black Australian swans and is now a modern swimming pool.

In the late 1920s, Yamashiro served as headquarters for the ultra-exclusive “400 Club” — a private organization created for the most elite of Hollywood’s motion picture industry during its Golden Age — and became Hollywood’s first celebrity hangout. Here Bebe Daniels, Frank Elliott, Lilian Gish, Ramon Navarro, and the “Who’s Who” of actors, writers, directors and celebrities in Hollywood formed their first social institution as a monument to their achievements.

Hollywood, like the rest of the country, suffered during the Great Depression but Yamashiro endured; for 25 cents you could tour the unparalleled Japanese gardens and admire the spectacular view of all Los Angeles and the Pacific Ocean beyond. Rumor has it that, during those tragic years, beautiful — though starving — actresses were available at Yamashiro for hire for the evening to those who could still afford such pleasures.

At the outbreak of World War II, anti-Japanese sentiment spread rapidly in Hollywood and throughout the country. In that post-Pearl Harbor paranoia, Yamashiro was mistakenly rumored to be a signal tower for the Japanese and much of the beautiful landscaping and decorative elements of the palace itself were stripped by vandals. Consequently, the distinctive Asian architecture was disguised, the beautiful carved woods covered with paint and the estate converted into a boys’ military school.

A builder bought the property at the end of the war, added a second story and converted Yamashiro into 15 apartment units. In 1948, Thomas O. Glover purchased the property that was, by then, unrecognizable and in disrepair. He originally intended to tear down the structure and develop a hotel and apartment units on the seven acres of land; but while preparing to demolish, he discovered the treasure of ornate woodwork and silk wallpaper hidden under layers of black paint, realized the property was too important to destroy and decided to restore it. This project became a 20-year endeavor that continues even today, led by Glover’s son, Tom Y. Glover.

The restaurant now includes the westside Sunset Room, the main dining room terraces, bar lounge and Skyview banquet room overlooking downtown L.A., Hollywood, Beverly Hills, past Century City’s distinctive skyline and to the beaches beyond. The Inner Courtyard, popular for dining, banquets and weddings, has been renovated and the Japanese gardens and pools with colorful Koi have been returned to their former tranquil beauty. Tour groups consistently visit the grounds today to take in the unique view of Hollywood and the city of Los Angeles recently designated the building as an Historic-Cultural Monument.

For over four decades, guests have enjoyed Yamashiro’s gracious Japanese ambience and Asian cuisine. The complete dining experience is unmatched in Los Angeles with the spectacular, award-winning view that originally drew the Bernheimer brothers, and later the Glover family, to this hilltop to build Yamashiro, Hollywood’s own “Mountain Palace.”