

Enchanté

Wine Tasting Society

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Greetings to all EWTS
Friends and Members,

We've had a great start
for 2007. With such a huge
turnout of guests at our
inaugural event, the
response to the launch of
our new wine club has been

phenomenal. So many of you share our great
passion for wine. We plan to continue bringing
you quality events where you can relax, learn
about wine and have a good time. Our first
members-only Wine 101 course was set in the
trendy area of West Village where we learned
about and tasted six superb wines, including a
Super Tuscan and Prosecco.

Think you've tasted enough wines? Well, there
are thousands of wines that are produced each
year. So, you have a few more to taste, I'm
sure. I invite you to join us at all of our events
and to become a member. Membership does
have its privileges.

Warm Regards,
Vicki Calton, National President

Partner- Member Spotlight

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profit membership organization whose mission
is to meet the professional and developmental
needs of African-American sales and sales
management professionals. NSN offers an
opportunity to become involved in building a
professional organization designed specifically
for African American sales professionals.
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as we provide practical information from a sales
leader perspective and the challenges for all
seasoned professionals that want to garner
great success in sales driven companies. Sales
and marketing professionals are the heart and
lifblood of business. NSN is the key to many
great opportunities to develop and extend your
professional and personal network."
More info: www.nsndfw.org

Quoi de Neuf?

(What's New?)

NEXT EVENT: March 20th

Wine Tasting & Wine Menus
***Join Enchanté Wine Tasting Society
and the National Sales Network
as we polish skills for ordering excellent
wines for any meal from a restaurant wine
menu. This will be a hands-on activity.***

Location:

Vino 100

2909 McKinney Avenue, Suite A

Dallas, Texas 75062

(214) 969-9463

Admission:

EWTS Members: FREE

NSN Members: \$15

EWTS and NSN Members Only

Celebrate with Us!

Black History Month

February, 2007



10th Annual

Equity & Diversity Conference

Univ. of North Texas

February 23, 2007 all day



Happy Valentine's Day

February 14, 2007

Wine Terminology-Letter B

- **Bianco** (Italian), Blanc (France), Blanco (Spain), Branco (Portugal), means White.
- **Bacchus**, The Roman god of wine. Also a white grape variety, the product of a cross between a Silvaner-Riesling hybrid and Müller-Thurgau.
- **Backward**, A tasting term. Wines described as backward are undeveloped and not ready to drink. They are often young and tannic, and may also be described as austere. Not surprisingly, the opposite of forward.
- **Balance**, A tasting term. Wines said to have balance have a harmonious combination of tannin, acidity, texture and flavor. This is a good attribute to look for in wines.
- **Balthazar**, A large format Champagne bottle, equivalent to sixteen standard bottles.
- **Bead**, A tasting term used to describe the size of the bubbles in a glass of sparkling wine or Champagne. Some people say that the smaller and more persistent the bead, the finer the wine. Serving temperature may affect it's appearance - a colder wine will effervesce less vigorously.
- **Bin number (Australia)** A bin is a storage area in a wine cellar. With each successive harvest, wines were allocated the same bin year after year. With time the bin number became associated with the wine - the Shiraz was stored in bin 50, the Chardonnay in bin 65, for example.
- **Black rot**, A fungal vine disease common in North America. It results in small, hard berries.
- **Blanc de Blancs** (France) This describes a white wine made entirely from white grapes, normally 100% Chardonnay. If this sounds like stating the obvious, it is necessary because black grapes can be used to make white wine, as only the skins impart color - the juice and pulp are clear. This is especially true in Champagne, where two of the three legally permitted varieties are the black grapes Pinot Meunier and Pinot Noir.
- **Blanc de Noirs** (France) This describes a white wine made entirely from black grapes. It is a term commonly used in Champagne, with reference to wines made from the black grapes Pinot Meunier and Pinot Noir.
- **Botrytis cinerea**, The cause of Noble Rot, Botrytis cinerea is a fungus which, under suitable conditions, attacks grapes on the vines, leaving them shriveled and dehydrated. For many grapes this can be a disaster, but the process is also invaluable in the production of sweet wines.
- **Bricking**, A tasting term. It refers to a tawny, brick red color, which implies age in a red wine.
- **Brut** (France), A term used to describe a dry wine (usually Champagne or other sparkling wine),



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! UPCOMING LOCAL WINE EVENTS

- Feb 8:** Australia Tasting, Noon to 9:00pm
Put a Cork in it, 2972 Park Hill Dr, Fort Worth,
Cost: Free
- Feb 10:** Dallas Symphony Wine Tasting,
6:30pm Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center
2301 Flora St, Dallas, \$50 per Couple or \$30
- Feb 14:** Wine'tastic Valentine and Veneto Wine
Dinner, 6:30 & 8:30pm, 4140 Lemmon
Avenue, Dallas, \$45 per person
- Feb 17:** Tour de France, French Wine Class at
Corner Wines, 4017 Preston Road, Plano
Texas 75093, \$25
- Feb 20 (S&S**):** Rhone Valley Tasting with
Ferraton Pere & Fils, Vino 100, 2909 McKinney
Ave Dallas, 6pm --9pm Cost \$12
- Feb 22:** Blues Night featuring the sultry sounds
of Tiffany Blue, The Winery in Grand Prairie,
6:00pm – 8:00pm, 3803 Robinson Road, Grand
Prairie TX , tasting specials.
- Feb 24 :** Blind Wine Tasting Class at Grand
Tastings , 1-3:30pm 4430 McKinney Ave,
Dallas, \$40 non members

** Sip and Social – This is a S&S event where EWTS members will attend as a group. If you want to join us, e-mail kvalentine@ewts.org

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