



Experience Wine

Helping People Explore the World of Wine

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What People are Saying about classes from Experience Wine:

"...The people and instructors were incredibly nice and I really enjoyed the experience."
-- Linda Howley

"Great class. Great presentation. Fun. A great place to start. I can't wait to go to your next class."
-- Brian Green

"Very nice evening - I enjoyed the information, food, wine, company, and presentation."
-- Laura Carroll

Partner Links & Information

Payless Liquors

Located at 3472 Research Parkway offers our Experience Wine students a 10% discount off their next purchase after completing one of our courses

Bambinos Restaurant & Catering

New location for wine classes and does catering for private wine events. Located at 2849 East Platte Ave. (corner of Circle and Platte)

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The Wine Store, located at 523 S. Cascade offers our Experience Wine

Latest News from Experience Wine



This is proving to be a very exciting summer for us at Experience Wine. In the past month we've found a new location for wine classes in the southern part of the city, did two staff training events at the Mimi's restaurants in the city, had an article published in Steppin' Out Magazine, and have added a 3rd course to our August schedule. We're certainly keeping busy! In fact, we've gotten so busy that I'm now looking to staff a couple of part-time positions at Experience Wine. Check out the individual articles below for more information, and we'll look forward to seeing you at an upcoming class very soon.

Mark Hejtmanek
Owner, Experience Wine
Certified Wine Sommelier

Public Classes for July & August 2006

Introductory Wine Course: "A Friendly Introduction to Wine". This course is perfect for those brand new to wine, or for someone who enjoys wine already and wants to learn more. Course includes appetizers, 4 wines to taste, course handouts, textbook, and more! Course Length - approximately 2 hours. Price: \$35 per person, \$60 per couple:

July 23rd at Mimi's Café on N. Academy.

August 18th - **New Location!** Bambinos Restaurant at corner of Circle & Platte.

August 27th at Mimi's Café on N. Academy.

Specialty Course: "Wines of Napa Valley". The second in our series of courses on Northern California wines, we'll taste wines from the Napa Valley where some of the best wines in the world are made; Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon has developed an especially strong global reputation. Course includes appetizers, course handouts, book, and more! Date: **August 20th**. Price: \$45 per person (\$80 per couple). Location: Mimi's Café on N. Academy.



students a 10% discount off their next purchase and they have a wonderful selection of small production wines

www.mimiscafe.com

Our current location for classes is on North Academy Blvd – check out their website and be sure to click on "Who's Mimi?"

www.localwineevents.com

Our courses are also listed here

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New Partner: Bambinos Restaurant

We are very pleased to announce that we have a new location for wine classes in southern Colorado Springs: Bambinos restaurant at the corner of Circle and Platte. We'll have our first class there on Friday evening, August 18th. Suzette & Kevin Megyeri have enthusiastically embraced the idea of having our wine classes at their restaurant and they're also working with us on catering private wine events too. Come join us in August or stop by and check out their restaurant which has been family owned and operated since 1978.

Wine News: Coppola Buys Chateau Souverain Estate

Last month I visited the wine country area of Sonoma County California and I stopped by to taste the wine at Chateau Souverain. To my surprise, I found that the property had recently been purchased by Francis Ford Coppola. Yes, the Hollywood film director is also in the wine business and has been producing wines



in the Napa Valley for quite some time. Coppola has established a new operation in the old Souverain building at the entrance to the Alexander Valley. The folks at Coppola were very excited about their new location, but didn't yet have a name for the site - there was a big hand-painted sign that said "no-name vineyard" at the

driveway entrance. They're looking forward to their first upcoming harvest of Sonoma County specialty wines; look for those to be on shelves in 2007. The Souverain website, on the other hand, has lots of information about their move to a bigger facility a few miles north in Asti and are assuring us that they will continue to produce their wonderful wines in the future from a new location. Here are their websites: www.ffwinery.com and www.chateausouverain.com.

Article Published in Steppin' Out

Check out the June edition of the local Steppin' Out magazine for our article entitled "Wine Speak". We received very prominent placement (page 3)! If you haven't seen Steppin' Out magazine, here's their website link where you can read the articles and view the list of locations that carry it. www.steppinoutmag.com

Experience Wine Seeks Part-Time Help

Experience Wine, LLC is now looking to fill two part-time roles in the company: 1) Office Assistant and 2) Wine Instructor.

The **Office Assistant** role is about 10 hours per week, and

involves a myriad of office-related tasks including: basic accounting entries in Quickbooks, procedure documentation, banking, website postings, list maintenance, etc. Interested applicants must demonstrate proficiency in computer software applications (Excel, Word, and Powerpoint), organizational skills, and attention to detail. Written English proficiency and a positive attitude are a must! Call (719) 282-8688 or e-mail us for more information at mark@experiencewine.net.

I'm also looking for additional **Wine Instructors** to run our public wine events. Interested applicants should demonstrate an ability to relate well to people as well as teach groups of adult students for 2-3 hours on wine-related topics. Minimum qualifications include a level 1 Sommelier Certification and completion of Certified Colorado Responsible Vendor training. Call (719) 282-8688 or e-mail us for more information at mark@experiencewine.net.

Wine Recommendation: 2004 Black Label Claret by Coppola

Often mistakenly pronounced Cla-ray, the name actually comes from the English who used the word Claret (pronounced Clar-et) to describe Bordeaux wines from France. Coppola's winemaker used the traditional grapes included in Bordeaux wines to make his California Claret. Most of the flavor comes from Cabernet Sauvignon but it also contains Merlot, Malbec, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot. The result is a very nice Bordeaux-style blend with a smooth mouth-feel and the taste of black currant, wild berries, allspice, and mocha. This wine sells for about \$16. Give it a try and let me know what you think.

