



Experience Wine

Helping People Explore the World of Wine

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What People are Saying about classes from Experience Wine:

"I'll definitely come to another class. It was informative, upbeat, and fun."
-- Melissa Fryrear

"I wish it were longer. I learned a lot... The wine book was an extra bonus. The instructors were incredibly nice and I really enjoyed the experience."

-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

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

Contact Us

Wine Festival Report

Last weekend, I spent the afternoon at the Colorado Wine Festival in Manitou Springs. This was a terrific event which showcased wines from Colorado. The organizers did a fantastic job, and



several thousand people casually worked their way through the festival; tasting wines from 17 different Colorado wineries and checking out the wares of other craft and food vendors for the nominal cost of \$20. I was able to stop at a few of the wine vendors to try their wares after I shook hands and handed out flyers to about 200 people. I was particularly impressed with the offerings from Two Rivers Winery; look for their wines on the shelf of your favorite wine store or check out their website at www.tworiverswinery.com. Next year, we'll have a booth at the festival and I'd certainly encourage you to put this fun event on your calendar for 2007.

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Certified Wine Sommelier

Public Classes for June & July 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. Date: **June 18th**. Price: \$35 per person (\$60 per couple) Location: Mimi's Café on N. Academy.



Specialty Course: "Sonoma County Focus". Join me for a taste of home as we sample 6 wines (including one methode Champenoise, California Champagne) from some of my favorite

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wineries in Sonoma County. We'll do a "virtual tour" through the Russian River, Alexander Valley, Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma Valley, and Los Carneros. Course includes appetizers, course handouts, book, and more! Date: **July 9th**. Price: \$45 per person (\$80 per couple). Location: Mimi's Café on N. Academy.

Introductory Wine Course: "A Friendly Introduction to Wine". Date: **July 23rd**. Price: \$35 per person (\$60 per couple) Location: Mimi's Café on N. Academy.

Wine Questions Answered In Person

For the past month, I've been spending Saturday afternoons at Payless Liquors (N. Union & Research Blvd) answering wine questions for folks and helping them pick out wine. I plan to continue this during the summer from 3PM to 6PM most Saturday's. If you want to call ahead to see if I'll be there on a particular day, give me a call at 282-8688 – or just come on down and I'll help you with your specific wine question or recommendation.

New Product Available: The Drop Stop

A couple of years ago, I was doing some wine tasting at Sebastiani vineyards in Sonoma, California, and I noticed that the man behind the counter was pouring the wine with an interesting circular insert in the top of the bottle. The simple device completely eliminated any extra drip, drop that usually happens when you're pouring wine. I was so impressed I had to buy a couple, and have used them at home ever since. The device is called the "Drop Stop" and I've been so pleased with mine that it was only natural that it's one of the first products I've chosen to carry for sale from Experience Wine. We're adding a section to the website now, and we'll have these for sale at all our events for \$3.95 for a packet of two. If you just can't wait for one – see me over at Payless Liquors on Saturday afternoons or give me a call at 282-8688.



Wine Recommendation: Steen

Imported wines from various wine regions around the world are increasingly finding their way to our local wine stores. Here's one that I tried the other day that I think you'll enjoy. It's a 2004 vintage labeled "Steen" on the bottle. It's from South Africa (which makes terrific wine) and is made from 100% Chenin Blanc. It is dry, with generous acidity, and a nice finish. Perfect served chilled on a hot summer day!