

# Alexandria Nicole Cellars

Wine Club Newsletter

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## DESTINY'S DIRT!

In the WINERY I'm excited to have almost all of our white wines in bottle and with the help of Matt and Eric in the cellar I'm optimistic that we'll be finished bottling by the end of February. This will be the earliest we've ever completed this task. We've been working hard to make it happen it is largely due to how quickly harvest went. What I'm trying to say is that it may not be a tradition we're able to continue, but for this year we're excited to start the spring "all in bottle".

This will allow us to get wine out to you sooner which is perfect because... we're almost out.

At the TASTING ROOMS our wine club continues to grow at record speed and although we've been bumping up the production numbers memberships continue to grow and it looks like we may have to CLOSE the wine club again with a club "2000". We'll keep you posted on how quickly this will be happening. This is exciting and amazing and a huge honor to all of us who are working hard to make world class wines as well as create the best tasting experience for you!

This brings me to "THE NEW LOCATION". In April we will be opening ANOTHER tasting room in Woodinville. It will be located on the ground floor of the Woodinville School house (address). We are very excited about this because of its location and that it has a full kitchen so we'll be able to do tapas' here also!! Watch the website for our summer hours and tapas' menu. Initially we will keep the front portion of our current location (address) open as a tasting room for our second label and the back as an EVENT SPACE. This will allow us much more space to host your special events. Note: Member discounts apply.

At the VINEYARD Jose' and his amazing crew have begun to prune and have agreed to cutting sticks for each of you, as our WINE CLUB GIFT. The cuttings will come complete with planting instructions and allow you to have your very own vine from Destiny Ridge! We're very excited about this and hope that you'll take pictures of your new farming venture. Then as you watch the progression with your own vine you will better understand the process we're going through. It's a test of your green thumb. Good luck.

In closing I'd like to THANK YOU again for continuing to enjoy ANC wines. Your support is truly the "wind beneath our wings."

Jarrold and Ali Boyle



## ANC GOES HOLLYWOOD

We are excited to announce we are adding a second location in Woodinville at historic Hollywood Schoolhouse, located at 14810 Northeast 145th Street. The big moving day is coming soon and we plan to be all settled in by April 1st.

Our current warehouse tasting room will be used as an events center and as the home of our second label wines, Altered State of Wines.

## Dates to Remember

Date	Event	Location
June 19, 2010	Woodinville Wine Release Party	Hollywood Schoolhouse, Woodinville
June 26, 2010	Prosser Wine Release Party	Prosser Tasting Room, Prosser
September 25, 2010	Harvest Party	Destiny Ridge Vineyard, Paterson

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## FEBRUARY RELEASE NOTES

### 2009 ROUSSANNE

THIS UNIQUE AND FLAVORFUL white wine is a Rhone Blend consisting of 98% Rousanne and 2% Marsanne. Fermented in stainless steel, it emits layers of pear, mango, honey melon and herbal tea. Aromas of wild flowers linger on this bright, crisp wine that invites you to a viscous mouth-feel that lingers to refreshingly finish.

JUST THE FACTS: Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 98% Roussanne, 2% Marsanne |Stainless Steel| \$28/750ml. bottle

### 2008 LEMBERGER

This rich, dry red is a ruby color gem with purple hues, showcasing hints of blueberries, smoke, dried plums, and black pepper aromatics. It received limited aging in both French and Hungarian Oak to express and protect the fruit profiles. This young, lively red has full flavor profiles of bright, pure fruit with hints of coco powder, dried herb, all spice, dried meats, and a judicious amount of acid to go well with the lengthy finish.

JUST THE FACTS: Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 98% Lemberger, 2% Syrah |Aged in 60% new French oak and 40% Hungarian for 12 months | \$30/750ml. bottle

### 2007 BLOCK 17

Distinguished by its deep, dark purple and inky color followed with full-bodied, rich bouquet of fruit aromas, hints of leather, blueberry and ripe fruit, toasty vanilla, spices, with layers of smoke, cassis, cedar & chocolate flavors. Finishes long & toasty with soft, velvety tannins and rich fruit from the white Rhone white co-fermentation, punctuated with nuances of smoky toffee components.

JUST THE FACTS: Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 88% Sara Lee clone Syrah, 10% Grenache, 2% Viognier |Aged 18 months in 100% new and 1 year old French oak | \$44/750ml. bottle

### 2007 DESTINY

This dark purple colored wine shows concentrated aromas of vanilla, dark berry, dried herbs, pomegranate, eucalyptus, and dried spice aromas; the mouth holds ripe cherry, blueberry, cocoa, coffee, minerality, and hints of oak toast. The flavors are well-developed with bold tannins adding to the finish, with a medium to full body and wonderful balance of richness and texture in the palate. This dark beauty is wonderful now but promises to hold for years to come.

JUST THE FACTS: Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 66% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc, 6% Petit Verdot, 3% Malbec, 3% Carmenerel | Aged 22 months in French and American oak | \$45/750ml. bottle

### 2007 TEMPRANILLO

Tempranillo originates from Spain, where it is widely grown and used in their wines. This extremely dark, reddish-purple wine can have a tendency to over express itself in rough dry tannins should you over extract it. However, with gentle treatment in the cellar and careful attention to detail during fermentation, this wonderful grape produces rich dark berry flavors full of spice, leather and minerality. The tannins add an expressive dance on the mid-palate and a wonderful long finish without overpowering the rich ripe fruit expressions.

JUST THE FACTS: Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 97% Tempranillo, 3% Cabernet Franc | Aged 18 months in French & American oak | \$55/750ml. bottle