

EARTH, WIND, AND WINE

In keeping with the Horse Heaven Hills slogan, we are excited to announce our next step in being self-sustainable. We have installed 20 wind spires at the vineyard and aside from being attractive, silent and bird friendly they will also allow us to produce enough power to run our winery production facility, our vineyard operations and our "Glamping" sites. It is a huge step in the right direction and we are very excited to be a front-runner for the Washington State Wine Industry with this project.

For those of you who have been able to visit the vineyard you might have noticed that it is occasionally windy up here (I don't recommend wearing your hair piece up here) and so it seemed like the perfect combination of both good stewardship and environmental consciousness. And, did I mention that they look great! It is definitely a wind-win combo that adds huge value to the cornerstone of ANC -our Estate Vineyards.

So please stop by the next time you're in the area as we'd love to taste you through the wines and show you our newest project!

But if ya come during harvest please don't forget - bring beer.

Cheers,
Jarrod + Ali Boyle



QUIET, BIRD-FRIENDLY WINDSPIRES ENHANCE ANC'S "GOING GREEN"

ANC will begin supplementing its electrical power this summer with 20 wind turbines known as windspires at its Destiny Ridge Estate Vineyard. Spinning only 2-3 times the speed of the wind (compared to about seven times for propeller-based turbines), windspires are virtually silent. They are also bird-friendly because their turning blades appear to be a solid object for birds to avoid.

"Windspire turbines generate clean energy and underscore our commitment to the environment," said Jarrod Boyle, co-owner and winemaker of Alexandria Nicole Cellars and Destiny Ridge Vineyard. "The windspire installation marks yet another step in our move to go green."

"In keeping with the Horse Heaven Hills motto 'Earth, Wind, and Wine,' we are embracing the natural resource that is so prevalent to our area," added Ali Boyle.

The windspire, which includes a rotor, generator, and inverter, is designed to optimize the conversion of wind energy into electricity. Produced by technology company, Mariah Power, a windspire is only 30 feet tall, aesthetic, and quietly harnesses wind energy. Each windspire will produce 1.2 kW (1.2 kilowatt, or 1200 watts) windspire will produce approximately 2000 kilowatt hours per year in 12 mile-per-hour average winds.

In addition to the vineyard, the windspires will also generate power for Alexandria Nicole's wine production facility and glamping tents. Glamping, which means, "glamorous camping," consists of three canvas luxury tents including running water, full-tiled outdoor showers, hand-made four-poster beds, down duvets, a mini-refrigerator and air-conditioning.

ANC also demonstrates environmental stewardship in these ways:

- Sustainable farming practices
- Reduction of pesticides
- Becoming carbon neutral (including the omission of foil on wine bottles)
- Recycling the majority of barrels into furniture

KING 5 BEST OF THE WEST CONTEST!

Please vote for Alexandria Nicole Cellars! We are thrilled to be nominated for the Best Winery! Make us #1 in Western Washington. ANC was excited to win Best Winery in 2009; wouldn't it be fun to do it again?

The Best of Western Washington features more than 8,000 of Western Washington's best local nominees. Winners are determined by popular vote meaning that YOU choose the Best of 2010. Voting ends Tuesday, October 12. To vote visit: <http://best.king5.com>

HOLIDAY PLANNING

Have you started thinking about planning for the holidays yet? Let ANC take some of that off your hands. We can help you plan the perfect office party or that special family get-together. We have great spaces available at our tasting rooms that will create the perfect background for your holiday events. To book events at any of our locations please email us or call Makyla in Prosser @ 509.786.3497 or Shanah in Woodinville @ 509.832.2596.

FALL RELEASE TASTING NOTES



2009 SHEPHERDS MARK

In the early 1900's, pioneering shepherders left their mark on the Horse Heaven Hills in the form of Rock Monuments. These monuments, some still standing along the ridge line of our Destiny Ridge Estate Vineyard were used for marker identification, recreational pastime, artistic expression, and even as simply as to leave ones mark on the world. We dedicate this Rhone Blend to all the pioneers of the Horse Heaven Hills and continue our efforts to leave our mark on the world through the artistic expression of our wines. This unique and flavorful white wine emits layers of pineapple, fig, lemon zest, and floral notes of lavender, leading into a delicious mix of citrus and white peach, with a crisp, viscous mouth-feel that lingers to a refreshing finish.

JUST THE FACTS: 100% Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 48% Roussanne, 37% Marsanne, 15% Viognier | Stainless Steel Fermentation | 471 cases | \$20.00/750ml. bottle

2007 DUCK PRESS RED

Duck Press Red is a robust complement to the finest steaks and game meats. This full-bodied wine was crafted by the award-winning vintners at Alexandria Nicole Cellars together with the Mackay Restaurant group. With a deep, saturated ruby-red hue, aromas of bright red fruit show balance and purity with an integrated, subtle oak accent. A lush entry of black cherries, blackberry and crushed herbs lead a pure, mineraly, full-bodied palate with elegant tannins and good grip. Drinking well now, but structured to develop over the next five years.

JUST THE FACTS: 100% Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 58% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Cabernet Franc, 12% Merlot, 10% Malbec, 2% Petite Verdot | Aged 22 months in 90% new French Oak barrels & 10% Two-Year old French Oak | 197 cases | \$38.00/750ml. bottle

2008 MALBEC

The pure varietal flavors of raspberry and cassis set up this stylish Malbec. It is bright and tangy, balanced throughout, with traces of light chalk, eucalyptus, and stone threaded through the polished tannins. Concentrated cherry notes, juicy plums, and cinnamon lead to an excellent finish.

JUST THE FACTS: 100% Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 96% Malbec, 4% Merlot | Aged 18 months in 60% new French Oak barrels & 40% neutral French Oak | 177 cases | \$38.00/750ml. bottle

2008 MEMBERS ONLY

This appealing, southern Rhône blend is a Châteauneuf-du-Pape style, with lush, forward red fruits and pleasing traces of the estate vineyard's characteristic dusty tannins. Deep ruby black coloring, with mild aromas of cherry bonbon, mocha, and mint follow through on a silky entry to a fruity-yet-dry medium body with hints of pepper, beeswax, and cedar. Finishes with crisp but chewy wood tannin fade. This supple sipper will go great with spicy Asian pork dishes.

JUST THE FACTS: 100% Destiny Ridge Vineyard | 40% Mourvedre, 34% Syrah, 14% Grenache, 10% Counoise, 2% Viognier | Aged 20 months in 65% new French Oak barrels & 35% neutral French Oak | 152 cases | \$45.00/750ml. bottle



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