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DEAR FRIENDS

HARVEST IS IN FULL SWING and with it comes early mornings, long days, demanding physical work, and exhaustion. It is my favorite time in the winemaking process. Early mornings mean **BEAUTIFUL SUNRISES**, vineyard walks, tasting delicious fruit. Long days and hard work means getting in the best shape of the year! The beauty of fermentation has the winery smelling uh-mazing; **WILDFLOWERS AND CITRUS** coming off Albariño, Chardonnay, and Sauvignon Blanc, **LYCHEE** and **BUBBLE GUM** coming from Riesling, and **GRAPEFRUIT** from Rose. The Pinot Noir smells fantastic when you stick your head into a healthy fermentation, all **STRAWBERRY PIE!**

In the marathon that is harvest there are days when nothing goes right, the winery is mayhem, and you are covered in sticky juice and fruit flies. But that is balanced by days when everything **FLOWS LIKE A SYMPHONY**, the wines make themselves, and every problem has a **MAGICAL** solution. While it can be exhausting, it's generally good feeling at the end of the day, creating something... something worthwhile for us, and ultimately for you! Please don't ask Chiasa, Lily, and Alex about my moodiness. A big shout out to **GARY GATES**, (who you should definitely ask about my moodiness...) Thankfully he takes it all in stride, because without him, very little enology (wine science) would happen! Also, big ups to **CHIASA** and **MIKE BEARY** for their help this year... we got hit hard with Pinot Noir and without them we would not have been able to get it all done!

The Fall 2023 release is exciting... Why, you ask? It is time to officially release our first ever sparkling wine. The **2021 IMPROVISATION CHARDONNAY** is a knockout from Riverbench vineyard in Santa Maria. The popularity of bubbly chard in growler has led to us buying equipment so we can put it in a bottle, with a real label and everything! Also coming to you is the new **2021 LEAD VOCALS PINOT NOIR** and from the library the **2018 LEAD VOCALS PINOT NOIR**, both showing great! Next, some tasty Syrah in **THE 2020 HOOK**, and a fantastic blend of Syrah and Grenache in the **2020 RARE GROOVE #2**. Please read on to find out a little more about the wines along with tasting notes, musical pairings, and potential drinking windows!

In any case, we would love to see you! Please help us spread the word **@TIMBREWINERY** on Facebook and Instagram. **WE LOVE YOU** and appreciate you to the moon and back. Without **YOU**, there is no Timbre Winery. Thank you for being such an important part of our lives... **CHEERS!**

- Chiasa & Josh -

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TASTING NOTES

2021 IMPROVISATION CHARDONNAY (SPARKLING), RIVERBENCH VINEYARD

Sparkling wine has become one of the favorite offerings in our growler program, so we got to thinking, “what would it take to bottle this stuff???” Well, we figured it out! **FOAMY** and pale straw in color with lifted aromatics of **WHITE FLOWERS** and **VANILLA**. The palate has rich fruit and honeyed notes, **PINEAPPLE**, tart **APRICOT**, and **MEYER LEMON**. It is balanced, long, and structured by bright acidity and crunchy bubbles. **MY FAVORITE THINGS** by *John Coltrane* is a textbook example of improvisation based on a classic tune. Sparkling Chard, a riff on the original... Boom! Drink now.

2021 LEAD VOCALS PINOT NOIR, SPANISH SPRINGS VINEYARD

Another stunner from Spanish Springs. This unique spot brings a different kind of Pinot Noir to our setlist because of its proximity to the influences of the Pacific. Bright red and **FLORAL** with **APPLE SKINS** and loads of baking spice. The palate has **HIBISCUS, PERFUME, PLUM**, sweet oak, and a nervy, **FRUITY FINISH**. Taut with vibrant energy, listen to **THIS FEELING** by the *Alabama Shakes*. Drink Now-2030+.

2018 LEAD VOCALS PINOT NOIR, BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD

Brick red, this wine has paled in color, but grown in **INTENSITY** over the past five years. **CRANBERRY** and other tart fruits jump to the front, while the intense midpalate builds with **LICORICE, CAMEL**, stewed **STRAWBERRIES**, and loads of complexity. Complex wine, simple vibes... Listen to **CALIFORNIA**, by *The Lagoons* for the perfect smooth evening. Drink Now-2030+.

2020 THE HOOK SYRAH, DONATI VINEYARD

The dry farmed Donati vineyard really did shine in 2020. So dark it's almost black with **PIE CRUST**, baking spice, **PIPE TOBACCO**, and **CAMEL**. Dark chocolate highlights the vibrant palate, hinting at **BLACKBERRY** bramble, and dried carob. Straight up delicious. **DREAMS**, by *The Cranberries* is just the right touch of being present but floating away... Drink now-2035+.

2020 RARE GROOVE #2 SYRAH/GRENACHE, CENTRAL COAST

Imma lovin' me some blends, and Rare Groove #2 has become one of my faves. So much so we got a **FOUDRE** (pronounced FOO-DRUH aka a big barrel tank) just for this wine. Make an appointment at CAP and come see it and taste it out of the foudre. Very dark burgundy with **CASSIS, PENCIL SHAVINGS, PLUM, POMEGRANATE, BLACKBERRY**, and a hint of oak. Bright acidity and chalky tannins frame long finish. Maybe let's listen to some **BLACK MAGIC WOMAN** by *Santana*. Drink now-2033+.

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