



TIMBRE  
WINERY

**FEBRUARY 2023**

**DEAR FRIENDS**

It has certainly been a **CRAZY START TO 2023**... The rains which started at the close of 2022 and into January were absolutely devastating to so many in our community. As an optimist, I have to say that the rain was almost universally regarded as helpful to our local vineyards. Grape vines are dormant this time of year, and as such, the water does not really affect the plants. Heavy **RAIN** is helpful because it helps to **FLUSH THE SOIL** which builds up irrigation salts in drought years. These salts bind to, and ultimately clog the vine root systems which then causes the vines to have trouble taking up nutrients from the soil. We should see very healthy growth this year... look for the vineyards to look super green, with a lot of vigorous growth throughout late spring and summer. Additionally, the standing water we see in our area should, over time, filter into our aquifers helping to replenish them for future vintages. Sadly, the rain kept people from going out (and worse), and we missed many of you in the month of January. Come see us soon!

We have been telling you for over a year that we have a new winery space opening in San Luis Obispo... We are now just a month or so away from officially opening, but we will be starting with a soft opening in the coming weeks. Please

reach out to the team in our AG tasting room to make an appointment to come see \_\_\_\_\_, which is on **CAP**itolio way in SLO, and which is what we lovingly call the new winery space! Appointments are exclusive to wine club members for the next month or so, and your visit will be complimentary if you bring a friend from SLO! We want to start out with a bang, and if you can help us curate some SLO fans it will be super helpful!

The first release of 2023 is a combination of super fresh whites, great Pinot Noir, and our most critically acclaimed red wine! flip this letter over to read about the wines and some musical pairings! The offering is diverse and would make quite the **DINNER PARTY** if a dish was paired with each wine. I'll tell you about the **MENU** as I would envision it on the next page!

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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## **THE SOMMELIER IN ME HAD TO TURN THIS RELEASE INTO A DINNER!**

Aperitif- 2021 Opening Act Albariño, with tray passed tuna tartare and homemade baguette toast points.

First course- 2021 Rare Groove #3 Sauvignon Blanc with a golden beet and goat cheese salad, lemon vinaigrette.

Second Course- 2014 Lead Vocals Chardonnay, paired with lobster risotto... mmm.

Third Course- 2020 Rhythm and Guest Star Pinot Noirs side by side with grilled hangar steak with a red wine/shallot reduction and pomme puree (aka mashed potatoes with ridiculous amounts of butter. Like, a lot more than you think!).

Cheese Course - Rare Groove #2 blend of Syrah and Grenache. with a selection of hard cheeses.

Dessert- Klapper's Poached pears with the 2013 Late Harvest Viognier. It's 10 years old this year and ridonculous!

### **2021 OPENING ACT ALBARIÑO, RIVERBENCH VINEYARD**

This wine is the bomb! Super fresh with aromas of summer melon, green apple, nectarine, lime, and grapefruit, and even candy notes like banana runts! Citrusy acidity helps frame and the palate which also has tropical and creamy notes. **Shake your rump**, *The Beastie Boys*. Drink Now!

### **2021 RARE GROOVE #3 SAUVIGNON BLANC, MESA VERDE VINEYARD**

Classic Sauvignon Blanc with citrus notes of lime and Meyer lemon, stone fruit, green apple, pear, and just a hint of freshly cut grass. The same flavors adorn the palate, which is bright and lively, but also has hints of dried papaya, golden fig, and sour watermelon. Listen to **So fresh and so clean**, *OutKast*. Drink Now!

### **2014 LEAD VOCALS CHARDONNAY, BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD**

A re-release from our library, here is a sample of our notes from 2014: "Caramel, marzipan, lemon preserves, and a hint of grass. The zingy lemon and grapefruit create a harmonious wine so any musical pairings have to be harmony-heavy. Try **Scarborough Fair** by *Simon & Garfunkel*. Drink now-2025+ (Backstage Pass only).

### **2020 THE RHYTHM PINOT NOIR, RIVERBENCH VINEYARD**

Scarlet, deep, ripe strawberry, with notes of flowers and savory herbs. The palate has blackberry, hibiscus, cranberry, and a touch of framing astringency. It finishes long with plum, raspberry, and orange peel and deliciously smooth tannins. Listen to **Flowers** by *Miley Cyrus*. Drink Now-2028+.

### **2020 GUEST STAR PINOT NOIR, GOLD COAST VINEYARD**

Beautifully garnet and slightly opaque this wine exhibits hints of cranberry, spice, and sweet citrus. The first sip is fruity with pomegranate, cola, dates, and ruby red grapefruit. The finish is soft, very long and framed by refreshing acidity and cherry. How about some **Gold**, by *Dierks Bentley*. Drink Now-2028+.

### **2019 RARE GROOVE #2 RED BLEND, JOHN SEBASTIANO VINEYARD**

This wine looks like the color of Concord grape jelly. The nose exhibits Fresno chilies, blackberry, sweet toasty oak, and orchids. The wine is bright and sublimely textured, velvety almost, with blueberry cobbler, and a plump, juiciness. It finishes with vanilla, plum, cherry, black pepper, and a warmth of sandalwood. Ummm... **You're The One That I Want**, from *Grease*, by *John Travolta* and *Olivia Newton John*. Drink Now-2030+.