

# your wine palette through tastings

## WINE WALK

the word of one of the greatest winemakers, Danny Schuster said, "Wine is meant to be shared!" The same wine shared with friends vs. drinking alone will taste different! This is based on your perceptions that your five senses provide to you. Your food and wine will always taste better with friends! Getting back to trying a myriad of wines, one must limit the amount of wine per glass and increase the number of glasses of different wines. This is hard when you purchase a bottle, but there are other ways to diversify and try different wines.

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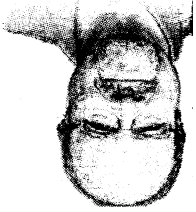
According to Mr. Hanni, MW like a lot of different tastes with not one taste dominating such as the "super tasters." This gives most of us the opportunities to try many different grape varieties of grape varieties and wine styles. For "tolerant tasters," we must develop a wine palette, looking at many different grape varieties and styles. With over 8,000 grape varieties in the world, we have a lot of research to do. The best way to develop your wine palette is to try a lot of different wines, preferably with your friends. In



wines and styles. These opportunities of enjoying "old world" wines and "new world" wines provide preferences in our wine consumption. We have our preferences for certain types of wines. Some wine lovers only want sweet wines which are more of a genetic appeal. Those sweet wine lovers are normally what Tim Hanni (America's first Master of Wine) labels as "super tasters." They prefer the sweets and salts to avoid the chaos of sensing a myriad of complex tastes and smells. People like me are "tolerant tasters" which

**Duchman Family Winery 2012 Aglianico Wine Characteristics:**  
This well-balanced red wine blend has notes of stewed fruit and cinnamon with firm, structured tannins along with bouquets of dried floral aromas and cedar box.  
**Grapes:** Aglianico from Oswald Vineyards on the Texas High Plains  
Pair with: Braised meats  
**Where to buy:** Houston Wine Merchant  
**Costs:** \$17.79 per bottle

entered during more tragic war. We became more of those many different foreign wines. We also developed a brasserie society which grew up in the wines produced today. Our classic wines initially checked those fine cogn wines but the "bombs," huge fines, and heavily



# BERNHARDT WINERY PRESENTS

## WINTER SOLSTICE PARTY

### FEATURING VOYCES & THE WOODLANDS SHOW CHORUS

JOIN US

# Sunday, December 18th

## December 18 • 4:00pm: Winter Solstice Party

Start making plans now to attend our annual winter solstice party on December 18th. Gate opens at 4:00pm. We will be lighting up the pathways with luminaries, fun for all with our hayride and singalong. There will be a cookie walk, hot chocolate and s'mores, a bonfire in the pit and of course our sunset toast. Santa will be on hand to talk to the children and mom and dad can take pictures. Music will be provided by our special guests, Voyces. Starting the music off with Christmas carols will be The Woodlands Show Chorus. So bring your chairs and blankets and come enjoy a great start to the holiday season.

### ADMISSION:

5 and under - free  
6-15 years old - \$3.00  
16 and older - \$10.00  
Everyone who comes gets a ticket for the cookie walk. Each ticket is good for 3 cookies at the cookie walk.

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For concert and other event details go to [www.bernhardtwinery.com](http://www.bernhardtwinery.com)



**ICE LAND: ICE SCULPTURES, A CARIBBEAN CHRISTMAS**  
November 12 - January 8  
Embark on a breathtaking underside journey made of two million pounds of ice! Group rates & hotel packages are available. Adults: \$26.95, Seniors: \$21.95, Children (4-12): \$15.95  
**FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**  
November 12 - January 8  
Enjoy more than one million lights within 100 sound-enhanced animated light displays and nightly live entertainment and much more! Admission: \$10.95. Other attractions are \$7 each with FOL ticket.  
**CIRQUE JOYEUX NOEL DINNER AND SHOW**  
December 16 - 25  
Enjoy acrobatics, a holiday buffet and the Festival of Lights. Admission: Adults: \$59 - \$95, Child (3-12): \$44 - \$85, Infants: \$15 - \$75, group rates are available for 20+.

**MIDNIGHT IN THE GARDENS NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA**  
December 31, 7:30pm - 1:00am  
The New Year's Eve party will feature non-stop entertainment with live music, an open bar, elaborate food stations, deluxe party favors, a Champagne toast and balloon drop at midnight. Event tickets are \$470 per couple or \$240 per single. Hotel accommodations for gala guests start at \$109+tax/night. For reservations call 888-388-8484.