



Cogdal Vineyards Little Man Club Notes

2021 Volume III (August)



It is hard to beat summer in West Michigan. We have beautiful beach towns, abundant fruits and vegetables, great weather, and of course wine. We appreciate your support and enjoy seeing everyone again plus meeting new customers every day. This summer we introduced a Wednesday night music series, celebrated our 7th anniversary, and created a semi-dry hard apple cider to compliment your favorite wine.

The deer population has multiplied over the years and created significant damage to the vines in the spring and the grapes in the fall. We are currently installing a deer fence to help us limit this damage. Although we buy approximately 50% of our grapes from other local vineyards, our vines provide the foundation for our innovative wines. Our vines currently look very good. Although we still have a ways to go before harvest, we are hopeful for one of our better harvests in a few years. We expect harvest to be early October.

We know you have enjoyed being able to have your tasting outside using compostable glasses and trays. Over the next couple weeks we will convert to trays we can reuse, but will continue to use compostable glasses through year-end. As we transition to fall and winter in the tasting room we will be enclosing and heating our patio again. Coupled with the addition of outdoor heaters we hope you can enjoy the outdoor views as long as possible. Our food offerings remain the same with goat cheese, meat and cheese board, and chocolate pairings. As always, you are welcome to bring your own food. We will continue with a no reservation policy.

We entered our wine into two wine evaluations. The first was Finger Lakes International where we received Bronze medals for Nana's Kiss, Vin Blanc, and Vision Private Selection (VPS). The second evaluation was the Judgement of Michigan, a new evaluation sponsored by the Michigan Wine Collaborative. From this event we received a Silver for the Cabernet Franc and a Bronze for Vision.

When you can't join us visit our website (cogdalvineyards.com) to ship wine to yourself or friends and family. We offer discounts for multiple bottles and shipping. Enjoy your favorite wine year round.

Events:

Last event is August 28, 9:30 am: Yoga, Dance, and Wine in the vineyard

Look for next year's events after year-end

Wine Update:

New Releases: Big Lake will be out in a couple weeks; Merlot and VPS will be near the end of the year. Make sure you try the new release of Reflection, the aroma is very intense

Low Alert: Later this fall Sweet Inspiration, Charlie's Choice and Charlie's Bad Choice will become limited.

Concerns: Issues with a batch of Dry Riesling may limit availability; Maple wine did not develop - will start another batch in September.

Hours: Open Noon to 5pm, Everyday through Oct
(Open weekends in the off-season)

We appreciate your business. Please let us know how we are doing.

Thanks! Deb and Jack

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