

NEWS from Los Olivos Wine Merchant & Cafe

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LOS OLIVOS WINE MERCHANT & CAFÉ HOSTS BERNAT WINEMAKER DINNER WITH SAM MARMORSTEIN

Los Olivos, California—Sam and Shawnda Marmorstein, owners of the Los Olivos Wine Merchant & Café, are pleased to announce that their annual Spring Wine Maker Dinner will be held Friday, April 16, 2010, at 6:00PM in the private dining room at the Café, located at 2879 Grand Avenue in downtown Los Olivos. The featured winemaker will be none other than Sam Marmorstein, founder of Bernat Vineyards & Winery. (www.bernatwines.com)

Bernat is one of the smallest wine producers in Santa Barbara County, with an organically certified (COCF) vineyard on a 10-acre ranch in Los Olivos. Sam will share the excitement of creating his premium, handcrafted wines paired with the following **menu**:

First Course: Bernat 2006 Chardonnay paired with house-smoked trout with green apple, preserved lemon, fennel, wild arugula, and jalapeno vinaigrette. **Second Course:** Bernat 2007 Pinot Noir accompanied by grilled loin of ahi tuna with roasted organic tomatoes, soy glazed wild mushrooms, and haricot verts. **Third Course:** Bernat 2007 Cowboy Cuvee and 2005 Syrah complement the leg of spring lamb smoked over Bernat wine barrels with Los Olivos carrot puree, minted peas, and Syrah jus. **Dessert Course:** Select Muscat paired with arroz con leche with strawberries, brown sugar and “snicker doodles”

Seating for this winemaker dinner is by advance reservation only since space is limited. The cost is \$95 per person including tax and gratuity. Contact the Cafe directly at 805-688-7265 ext. 214 to check availability. Credit card payment is welcome at the time of dinner reservation to assure seating.

The Los Olivos Wine Merchant & Cafe is the winner of the coveted *Wine Spectator* "Best Restaurants for Wine" Award of Excellence in 2009 & 2008. Located in the heart of Santa Barbara County's wine country at 2879 Grand Avenue in downtown Los Olivos, the casual yet elegant Café (as seen in the award-winning movie *SIDEWAYS*) serves fresh, local wine-friendly cuisine for lunch and dinner daily from 11:30 AM to 9:00 PM. The Wine Merchant features over 600 local and international vintages and is the exclusive distributor of owner Sam Marmorstein's Bernat Wines. For more information, call 805-688-7265 or visit www.LosOlivosCafe.com or www.BuySantaBarbaraWine.com

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