

July 2015



Dear Members,

We would like to invite you all to our yearly event:

Belgian Independence Day Wine Tasting and Lunch
Saturday, August 1
Rock Wall Wines, Alameda



Rock Wall Wine Company is located on the former Alameda Naval Air Base which was decommissioned in 1997 and turned over to the community and is slowly being converted to civilian use. The name Rock Wall refers to the defensive perimeter wall built during WWII in the San Francisco Bay to protect the base from Japanese air to sea torpedoes.

Ideally situated in Alameda, California, the winery boasts spectacular views of the San Francisco skyline, and more importantly its locale allows the winemaking team to be regionally centralized - ensuring that whether Cabernet Sauvignon from Napa Valley, Zinfandel from Sonoma County,

Petite Sirah from Contra Costa County or Chardonnay from the Santa Lucia Highlands, the winemaking team is able to handle the fruit soon after it is picked.

A unique concept, Rock Wall Wine Company is, in essence, an urban winery that services the East Bay. Through the wine center, the Rock Wall owners look forward to continuing the legacy of urban winemaking as well as providing an environment whereby making, tasting and learning about wine is fun!

<http://www.rockwallwines.com/>

Lunch:

Lunch will be catered by Scolari's, who opened their second location in 2013 right next to Rock Wall Wine Company. They will treat us with a variety of East Coast-style pizzas fresh from their Blodgett pizza oven, paired with some amazing salads. Kids can also order Mac n Cheese. For desert, there will be profiteroles.

Location:

Rock Wall Wine Company
2301 Monarch Street, Suite 300
Alameda, CA 94501

Time:

The wine tasting will start at 11:30 AM promptly, so please be on time.
Lunch will start at 12:30 PM and last call will be at 3:30 PM

Cost:

Tasting + Pizza and salad lunch: \$55
Pizza and salad lunch: \$25
Kids Mac n Cheese: \$10

Registration and Payment: on-line only. Please go to our website www.bcnc.com and select the Belgian Independence Day Celebration under "Events". This is a member-only event. To become member, please go to www.bcnc.com/about.

You can pay by credit card or Paypal or mail a check made out to BCNC to: Pierre Smit, 442 Ramsell Street, San Francisco, CA 94132

For further info, please email katleen@bcnc.com or call Ann at (408) 477 2992.

Deadline to register: Sunday, July 19th

Please bring a jacket or sweater. Due to the location, there is a chance of cool winds picking up after 2 pm. We haven't forgotten about the kids: there will be some fun events for the little ones. If this is a first time visit to Alameda, try to pair it with a quick trip to one of its beaches or even a tour of the USS Hornet!

For further information: <http://alamedaca.gov/visitors>

Announcements

The board is planning a new fundraiser event in March. So on your next trip to Belgium, plan on bringing something exciting back that you can bring for the Silent Auction. Thanks!