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Springtime weather has finally arrived, and the rolling hills in Sonoma County are colorful with mustard and orange flowers carpeting vineyard rows. With a rainy and cold start to the year, we are happy to see that bud break finally arrived in April, marking the official start to the 2023 growing season and a promising vintage to come.

We kicked off our 50th anniversary year with the first of our Wine Dinner series at Chalkboard Restaurant in Healdsburg and enjoyed a full house...thank you to those who joined us! Our next and grandest event is just around the corner - Summer Fête on July 8th at the winery. In celebration of our special place, we are wrapping our anniversary party in a 1920's theme reminiscent of the era when the Chateau was built and enjoyed as a summer guest house. Guests will enjoy a sunshine-filled afternoon on our grand lawn and our favorite garden spaces with tastings of new releases and selections from our wine library, and live music and food stations serving up a variety of perfectly paired bites to keep the mood bright and festive. We hope you will join us!

This month's wine club shipment is a fun selection that includes summertime Pinot Blanc, Reserve Chardonnay, and Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon to enhance your alfresco dinners, along with everyone's favorite, Cinq Cépages, for that special treat.

Cheers,

The team at Chateau St. Jean

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For questions about your club shipment, please contact us at 877-478-5326 or <u>concierge@chateaustjean.com</u>. To learn more about our upcoming events and experiences and to reserve your space call 707-257-5784.

THE WINES



2021 PINOT BLANC Alexander Valley

Tucked into a sheltered cove at the northern end of Alexander Valley, this Pinot Blanc grows in consistent warm weather allowing for full ripening and lovely balance. Partial barrel fermentation adds complexity, texture and richness, to this fruit driven wine of citrus and tropical flavors with hints of floral.



2019 RESERVE CHARDONNAY Alexander Valley

A blend of diverse vineyard sites and classic artisan winemaking techniques are the key to our Reserve Chardonnay. This wine offers a generous fruit expression as well as the ability to age, resulting in a well structured and balanced Chardonnay with texture and vibrant acidity. Classic lemon verbena, melon and hints of brioche all lend to a long, flavorful finish.



2018 RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON Alexander Valley

This Reserve Cabernet is complemented by small amounts of Merlot and Malbec that soften the structured tannins and add layers of dark fruit flavors. Aged in 100% French oak, this blend is a barrel selection of outstanding lots that best represent the vintage, culminating in a complex blend of dark fruit, cocoa, and oak spice flavors leading to a long, elegant finish.



2017 CINQ CÉPAGES Sonoma County

Representing the best of Sonoma County, our flagship Cinq Cépages opens with beautiful aromas of fresh raspberry, red and black current, and notes of lavender. Elegant and inviting, with supple fruit, cocoa and toasted chestnuts give way to smooth tannins and a silky finish.