



Greetings!

This month we look forward to the arrival of the first rosé wines from the 2017 vintage. We'll have dozens of choices, some brand new and some tried and true. Stay tuned for more information as they start to hit the shelves. Meanwhile check out our **upcoming wine dinner on April 4 at home.made, with special guest Master Sommelier Robert Jones from Kysela Pere & Fils**. We're also featuring a delightful Spanish red for the month of March and a smooth and polished single malt Irish whiskey for your Saint Patrick's Day parties. Read the details below and as always, thanks for shopping at ABC Package!

WINE SPECIAL

Lobetia Organic Vineyards Tempranillo Vino de la Tierra de Castilla Spain 2016

Produced from 100% organically grown grapes and bottled at the estate, this fragrant red delivers appealing aromas of raspberry and cherry and follows up with a juicy palate brimming with fresh wild berry flavors. Medium bodied and dry, with ripe acidity and a soft, supple finish, this will make a delightful everyday quaff. Serve it with anything from light appetizers and pastas to simple red or white meat courses. Qué aproveche!

Special Price Through March--\$6.99 (regularly \$8.99)



FEATURE LIQUOR

Knappogue Castle Single Malt Irish Whiskey

In 1966, Mark Edwin Andrews purchased Knappogue Castle, a 15th century castle in Ireland, which was then in ruins. He and his wife, a prominent architect, then embarked on an ambitious program of restoration in an effort to return the structure to its original state of grandeur. It was around this time that Andrews began buying casks of fine pot still whiskey from top distilleries in the country. The casks were further aged and bottled under what is now the Knappogue Castle label. His last bottling, a 1951 vintage aged 36 years, is revered by connoisseurs as the oldest and rarest commercially available Irish whiskey on the market. Many years later, his son, Mark Andrews III, would bring Knappogue 1951 and his father's legacy to the United States and other international markets.

Today there are three single malt Irish whiskeys available from Knappogue—the 12 year old, the 14 year old, and the 16 year old. Made with pure Irish spring water and malted barley, each of them is distilled three times in traditional copper pot stills in order to obtain the purest, smoothest spirit possible. After distillation the spirit is placed in bourbon oak casks, stored at a relatively consistent temperature, and aged for at least 12 years until the right balance of flavors and mellow appeal is achieved. The 14 and 16 year old whiskeys receive further aging in Oloroso sherry casks through which they attain additional complexity and refinement.



These highly regarded whiskies stand apart from single malt Scotch since there is no peat involved in their elaboration, and yet, drier than most Bourbon whisky, they still satisfy the connoisseur whose taste runs in that direction. Any and all of them merit your attention.

12 Year Old 40% ABV \$39.99 750 ml

Rich and biscuity on the nose with notes of pepper and spice. The palate is mellow and well-balanced with a bright, elegant fruitiness and mild spice flavors. Clean and smooth on the finish.

14 Year Old 46% ABV \$59.99 750 ml

Notes of apple and apricot on the nose are followed by a rich palate with flavors of dried fruit, vanilla and nuts. The long finish is dry but lively with toasted barley tones.

16 Year Old 40% ABV \$89.99 750 ml

Highly aromatic, the 16 year old is malty and fruity on the nose, while the palate is deep and complex, revealing the influence of its sojourn in sherry casks. It finishes long with some sweetness lingering.

EVENTS

**Wine Dinner @ home.made
With Special Guest Master Sommelier Robert
Jones of Kysela Pere & Fils Importing
1072 Baxter Street Athens GA
Wednesday, April 4
6 pm**

Join us and special guest Master Sommelier Robert Jones from Kysela Pere & Fils Importing for another fabulous wine and food pairing event, scheduled to take place at home.made, one of Athens' best new restaurants. Chef/Owner Mimi Maumus has been thrilling area diners with her inspired versions of Southern classics since

opening in 2011 and we're really looking forward to teaming up with her and her staff for an exciting evening of great food and wine. We're also delighted to welcome Robert back to Athens, for our fourth dining adventure with him as our wine guide. After reviewing the menu that Mimi designs for the dinner, Robert will choose wines for each course. During the event he will be on hand to discuss his selections and answer questions. If you've attended any of our previous wine and food pairing events with Robert, you'll know him to be not only extremely knowledgeable but also extraordinarily personable, a very winning combination. This is shaping up to be one our best wine dinners yet, and you don't want to miss it. Make your reservations soon!

\$55 per person (plus tax & tip)

Call 706-206-9216 for reservations



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WINE CLUB

JOIN THE ABC PACKAGE WINE CLUB! (NOW INCLUDING AN ALL RED OPTION)

The ABC Wine Club has always been an excellent opportunity to explore the world of wine, and now we're pleased to offer an all red choice. The standard wine club continues unchanged for members who enjoy receiving whites and rosés along with the red selections, but anyone who prefers all red now has that option. The all red club operates exactly the same as the standard club. In other words, you may still choose the Premier Series (three bottles each month for \$35.99) or the Signature Series (four bottles each month for \$55.99) but in either case the white selection will be replaced by an additional red. Here's what the new club looks like:

Standard Premier Series: 3 bottles of wine for \$35.99 per month

Includes three bottles of wine, two red and one white, with descriptions and tasting notes

Standard Signature Series: 4 bottles of wine for \$55.99 per month

Includes the three bottles from the Premier Series along with a specially selected, higher tier wine

All Red Premier Series: 3 bottles of wine for \$35.99 per month

Includes three bottles of wine, *all red*, with descriptions and tasting notes

All Red Signature Series: 4 bottles of wine for \$55.99 per month

Includes the three bottles from the All Red Premier Series along with a specially selected, higher tier wine

Members also receive the following discounts:

- **15% off all 750 ml cases of wine (12 bottles or more)**
- **10% off all 1.5 liter cases of wine (6 bottles or more)**
- **10% off all 750 ml half cases of wine (6 bottles)**
- **15% off the Mix Your Own Six Pack of Beer (10% for non-club members)**
- **10% off bottles of liquor (750 ml and 1 liter)**
- **5% off bottles of liquor 1.75 liter**

We're excited about this new option for club members who prefer red and look forward to providing a great wine experience for everyone. If you're not already a member, we hope you'll join soon, especially now that we've expanded the club to accommodate a broader range of preferences. It's a marvelous way to learn about wine and save money throughout the store.

For more details please contact us at your earliest convenience.

WINE STEWARD'S SPECIAL

The next time you visit ABC, check out the department-wide specials in our wine section. You'll find special offers on selected items in each category of our vast selection of wines, so whatever your preference, be it French, Argentine, Californian, Italian or any other, you'll find an opportunity to save money on something from that area. Look for wines marked with these tags and take home something special!