



FLORA SPRINGS  
GREAT TASTES



MAY 2016

## {Spring is in the Air}

The month of May means summer is just around the corner. For me that means hiking and backpacking in the Northern California hills and mountains and enjoying some baseball, including our SF Giant's Game Days in May and August. These are just two of our upcoming wine club events. Check out [florasprings.com/events](http://florasprings.com/events) and mark your calendar; we hope you can join us.

I'm sure you have a few summer gatherings in store, and if so, the club-exclusive 2013 Petit Verdot in your shipment will serve as a unique addition to

the party. We don't make much, so be sure to savor every smooth and spicy sip (and share it only with the best of friends)! Our Poggio Del Papa is a great choice for barbecues. This popular Italian-style blend goes well with grilled meats and most Italian foods. Check the next page for our "multisensory" pairing suggestions.

Cheers!

**Kenny Werle**, Wine Club Director



## {Only For You}

The two wines in your shipment this month are “winery only club-exclusives,” that is, they are available only to club members and visitors. These are little gems that we make just for you, small lots of wine that aren’t plentiful enough to distribute through stores and restaurants, but that stand out in terms of quality and character. Our winemakers love to craft these wines, as they allow them to flex their creative muscles and work with different varietals.

# {Your May Shipment}

2013

## Poggio Del Papa

In translation, Poggio Del Papa means “hill of the pope,” so named for the Pope Valley-grown Sangiovese grapes which form the core of this Italian-style red wine. In 2013 we combined the vibrant, cherry-red flavors of this hillside-sourced varietal with the darker, brambly fruit characteristics of Malbec, Syrah and Petit Verdot. The result is a voluptuously structured wine redolent of strawberry rhubarb pie and chocolate-covered mint with notes of fennel and star anise and sweet undertones of Madagascar vanilla. Soft tannins encase the core of red fruit, and the wine finishes with a spicy uplift. Poggio Del Papa is one of our most food-friendly wines, capable of pairing with both white and red-sauce pasta dishes as well as meats and hard cheeses.

### PRICING

Price: **\$40** | Shipment: **\$36**

Wine Club Reorder: **\$32**

### MULTI-SENSORY EXPERIENCE:

Pair the 2013 Poggio + Freshly Made Burrata-Topped Pizza + Da Vinci Paint Night: Create your own Mona Lisa in honor of the famous artist/inventor Leonardo Da Vinci



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### Next shipment - July 2016:

2013 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon and

2015 Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc



## 2013 Petit Verdot

Petit Verdot is one of the classic red varietals of Bordeaux, valued for its ability to add color, tannin and flavor to traditional red wine blends. We've planted the variety in our Crossroads Vineyard in Oakville and our Pope Valley vineyard. In 2013, a fantastic vintage led us to bottle a small amount of Petit Verdot on its own exclusively for club members. Exhibiting deep and saturated aromas of plum, cassis and hints of granite dust, the wine has a lush palate that picks up sweet cranberry, dark roasted espresso, star anise, and white pepper, finishing with the savory characteristic of bacon. The wine's tannins are soft and supple making it approachable at an early age yet capable of cellaring for two to three years.

### PRICING

Price: **\$50** | Shipment: **\$45**

Wine Club Reorder: **\$40**



### MULTI-SENSORY EXPERIENCE:

Pair the 2013 Petit Verdot + Bacon Tasting  
(add variety: smoked, turkey, Canadian, pancetta)  
+ Father's Day celebration June 19<sup>th</sup>





“ENJOY A GLASS OF  
MERLOT EVERYDAY.”

*Flora C. Komes*  
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### {Flora's Words to Live By }

As all of our Great Tastes club members know, Flora Komes was the inspiration behind Flora Springs Winery, a woman who loved life and lived it to its fullest. Perhaps no one knows this better than Nat Komes, her grandson and General Manager of the winery. “I grew up next door to Flora and she always had a tid-bit of knowledge or funny quote to share, and I loved listening to her stories.”

Recently, Nat came up with the idea of gathering some of Flora's choice pieces of advice — what he fondly refers to as “Flora-isms” — and posting them on Facebook, along with photos from the archives. It's our way of sharing a little history — along with Flora's infectious spirit — with our friends. The first Flora-ism, shown here, received a record amount of Likes, Comments, and Shares! Find us on Facebook, (or on Twitter or Instagram). We've got a lot more Flora-isms to share with you.



## {Mark Your Calendars}

**May 21**

**SF Giants Game Day**  
AT&T Park San Francisco

**June 25**

**FedEx Car & Wine  
Club Pick Up Party**  
The Room

**May 26**

**#ChardonnayDay 2016**  
Online, Worldwide

**July 16**

**Great Tastes  
Appreciation Day**  
The Room

**June 18**

**Flora's Five Cabs  
& Five Cuts**  
The Estate

**August 13**

**SF Giants Game Day**  
AT&T Park  
San Francisco

