

# Whitestone Winery

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## Newsletter #14

chaos (kā'ās') *n.* 1. A state of disorder. 2. Behavior that appears random and yet is governed by exact mathematical equations and so is actually deterministic. Chaotic systems typically exhibit exquisite sensitivity to conditions. 3. An unseen force or energy believed to drive the universe.

“Alas in regards to the winemaker, the word chaos fits. Upon initial contact, the first definition of the word seems apropos. On further study of the subject, the second definition of the word takes on focus. After interviewing the subject matter, his own belief squarely places him in the third definition.” (Excerpt from “*The Wrath of Grapes: A scientific field guide of Whitestone Winery*”)

### The Chaos Version


To answer your third question first, yes, I do spend a lot of time on the tractor by myself. As for the first and second questions, I shall use the great words of Mark Twain "Persons attempting to find a motive in this narrative will be prosecuted; persons attempting to find a moral in it will be banished; persons attempting to find a plot in it will be shot." Salute & Enjoy the chaos!

The secret Whitestone mathematical formula for making wine:

$$(w + a)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k a^{n-k}$$

Where w=finished wine a=knowledge n=time k=educated guess x=x-factor \*

\* The x-factor is a basic addition calculation based upon the amount of rattlesnakes in the vineyard during growing conditions of June, July, August, and September.

 Hip Tip #1 – If ever put on the spot in a social situation in front of your boss or a big client where you are asked your opinion on a wine, do not panic! In a confident voice say “I do enjoy the complexity of this wine, especially the flavor profile on my mid-palate through the finish.” All will be amazed at your tasting talent.


Did you know? All of Whitestone Wines are 100% estate grown.

Michael’s Top Ten Gas Saving Tips:

1. Do not leave home, stay put and enjoy that bottle of 2002 Whitestone Merlot you have in your cellar.
2. When visiting the winery in Wilbur, bring along at least three friends, they can pitch in with gas money, giving you that much more you can spend on some wine.
3. Every time you see some Whitestone wine, buy it. That way you will not have to make that extra trip to the store when you have started to barbeque that beautiful steak only to realize that you do not have any Whitestone Cabernet to go with it.
4. Rickshaw baby!
5. Move to Wilbur, that way you are close to the source of your heart’s content.
6. Only choose destinations that are downhill from where you are, that way you can put the car in neutral and coast. Kind of like adult soap box car racing, but with SUVs.
7. Swim, kayak or canoe wherever you need to go.
8. Mount a spinnaker on the front of your Buick.
9. Sell your car, buy a bike and then spend the remaining amount of money on Whitestone wine. Make sure to find out how much you are getting for your car first, then buy the wine, then sell the car and buy a bike. That way you

do not need to make multiple trips balancing wine cases on your front handle bars.

“Quotes Involving Alcohol by Famous People” presents Sir Winston Churchill; “I may be drunk, miss, but in the morning I will be sober and you will still be ugly.”


 Hip Tip #2 – Most restaurants understand that people hate to appear cheap. That is why the most popular wine on a wine list is the second least expensive. Therefore, this wine usually has the highest mark-up. Do not be afraid, order the cheapest wine, this is usually a better value, and the staff will think you a smart buyer.

And now for a tour of Wilbur. On the right you will see the winery, on your left the grain elevator. Hope you enjoyed your tour of Wilbur, come again.

Does a fish care if it is consumed with red or white wine?

The winemaker’s life principles; Curiosita, Dimostrazione, Sensazione, Sfumato, Arte/Scienza, Corporalita, Connessione.

Winemaker’s note: If I ever run out of ideas for the Whitestone newsletter, I probably will incorporate a Top Ten list in order to fill up space.

 Hip Tip #3 – Cold fried chicken and Whitestone Pieces of Red make for a nice picnic.

*Wine Spectator* or *Car and Driver*. Can you guess which magazine used which adjective? Racy, focused, sleek, gripping, intense, taut, lively, plush, well-integrated frame, crisp profile, zippy, and sashays. If you guessed *Wine Spectator* for all, congratulations! Now go enjoy some Whitestone Cabernet with its well-integrated frame!

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My current iPod playlist; Flogging Molly, Dropkick Murphys, Metro Station, Arctic Monkeys, John Legend, Cher, The Bravery, Coldplay, and the latest audio book from audible.

## NEWS

### **Whitestone now has a tasting room in Spokane!!!**

I am proud to announce that Whitestone has joined the **Wine Cellar** on 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. in Spokane. On **Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00 pm to 8:00pm we will have our Grand Opening Celebration. Come and meet the winemaker, taste through our wines and experience a little of Lake Roosevelt on the shores of Downtown Spokane. Check out our website as we look to host events at our new location. *The Wine Cellar, 906 West Second Ave., Spokane.*

### **Farewell Pieces of Red v3.04...**

#### **Long live Pieces of Red V4.11!!!**

Pieces of Red v.3.04 has sold out. On October 25<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate the launch of Pieces of Red v.4.11 with a giant party in Wilbur at the winery. Cannot wait to try the next Pieces? Join our Wine Club and receive a shipment at the beginning of October. We are currently taking Pre-Orders now. (All pre-orders will receive free tickets to our October 25<sup>th</sup> event where the order can be picked-up or it will be delivered the following week). Do not miss your chance to grab one of Washington State's fastest growing new cult wines, order today.

### **Pre-Barrel Tasting October 25<sup>th</sup>**

Come visit the winery in Wilbur on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> for our annual Pre-Barrel tasting. Try the wine as it is fermenting, eat wine grapes, and learn about how we make wine. The event will also feature the grand release of Pieces of Red v.4.11. And, as always, we will be grilling Bratwursts and burgers. All that, as well as the opportunity to try all of our current releases for \$5.

### **Achtung! Wine Club Members**

We are currently preparing an incredible Fall Club shipment for your enjoyment. The contents of this special box I do not want to reveal to non-club members, so check your mail box in the coming weeks for further details.

## Recipe

For this issue's recipe, I was struggling with what type of dish fit with the theme. Then it came to me; FRUITS & NUTS!!! I love trail mix, but there always seems to be either too much sodium or an item in the mix that I just don't like. What I have recently discovered is how easy it is to make my own mix. Many grocery stores, especially natural food stores, have grazing, err, bulk bins, which contain all the ingredients you need to make your own mix. Here is my favorite;

Walnuts  
Almonds  
Dried Apricots  
Raisins  
Dark Chocolate Bits

Try this mix, or make your own, the possibilities are endless.

## Upcoming Winery Events:

**September 24<sup>th</sup>** – Come visit us as we join the Wine Cellar at 906 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. in Spokane. Michael will be there sharing with you current Whitestone releases.

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** – The Pre-Barrel Tasting!!!  
**Your Special Event:** I do private tastings and parties, at the winery, vineyard, and at your location.

Can't get enough of the Whitestone Winery Newsletter? Check out our blog at <http://whitestonewinery.blogspot.com>, there you will find daily postings, writings and links to exciting stuff (like our Flickr page).

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**Perfect Location, Perfect Wine**