



San Francisco Chapter German Wine Society

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Next Tasting

You don't want to miss the first tasting of the New Year:

- Premium wines from the from the 1976 to 2005 vintages, Kabinett to Auslese
- Well-matched appetizers
- A bottle of 1976 von Simmern Erbacher Marcobrunn Auslese to the winner of a Mystery Wine Identification Contest
- The event is free for members who have paid 2009 dues! Also, it's a members-only event.

Please let us know if you will be joining us on January 30th when you send in your annual dues. **Reservation deadline is Monday, January 26th.**

Date: Friday, January 30th

Time: 7 to 9 p.m.

Location: Gregory Residence (see directions below)
1 Laurel Lane
Sausalito, CA (map below)

Price: No Charge – 2009 Dues-Paying Members Only
Each member may bring one guest.

The wines to be poured include the following:

	Year	Producer	Description	Style	Region
1	1998	von Simmern	Rauenthaler Baiken	Kabinett	Rheingau
2	1999	Dr. Loosen	Erdener Treppchen	Kabinett	Mosel
3	2000	Müller-Catoir	Haardter Bürgergarten	Kabinett	Pfalz
4	2001	Staatsweingut Kloster Eberbach	Rauenthaler Baiken Gold Kapsel, (auction wine)	Kabinett	Rheingau
5	2003	Emrich-Schönleber	Monzinger Frühlingsplätzchen	Kabinett	Nahe
6	1999	Robert Weil	Estate Riesling, (Wasseros & Sandgrub vineyards)	Spätlese	Rheingau
7	2000	Willi Schaefer	Graacher Domprobst	Spätlese	Mosel
8	2001	Maximin Grünhäuser	Abtsberg, von Schubert	Spätlese	Ruwer
9	2005	J. J. Prüm	Bernkasteler Badstube feinherb	Spätlese	Mosel
10	2002	Fritz Haag	Brauneberger Juffer- Sonnenuhr	Auslese	Mosel
11	2004	Weingut Keller	Dalsheimer Hubacker Riesling	Auslese	Rheinhessen

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12	1976	von Simmern	Rauenthaler Baiken Riesling Auslese	Auslese	Rheingau
13	1999	von Beulwitz.	Kaseler Nies'chen #13	Beeren- auslese	Mosel-Saar- Ruwer

Membership Renewal Deal

Annual dues for 2009 are now payable. Considering that we usually charge a \$40 per person tasting fee, dues are almost free when you also attend the members-only January tasting at no additional cost, especially considering that each member can bring one guest also at no cost. The amount remains the same as last year at \$70. Membership entitles two persons (for example a couple or a member and a guest) to attend our events at a reduced price and to attend the special member-only event described above at no cost!

Dues checks, payable to the German Wine Society, should be sent to:

Laura Gregory
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New Members Welcome

Now is a great time to join the German Wine Society and begin to learn about and appreciate some of the world's best wines. Considering that the first event is free for members, membership is quite a bargain. The only requirement is to be at least 21 years of age and to pay a one-time \$25 initiation fee and annual dues of \$70. Members also enjoy substantially lower event fees at our other events. If someone is thinking about joining but wants to do a trial tasting first, that's fine too, and prospective members may attend their first event at the reduced member price. (That applies to any tasting except the January free event, which is open to members only.)

By the way, any member who introduces a new member to the group will win a nice bottle of German wine. We will also gladly e-mail copies of this newsletter to any interested persons; just give us the address.

2009 Tasting Program

Here is a quick summary of what is coming up this year. Further details about each event will be provided in future issues of this Newsletter.

Date	Event Theme
Fri., Jan. 30	Welcome Tasting – for Members Only
Wed., Mar. 25	Wines of the Rheingau
Thu., Jun. 11	Wines of a premium producer (sit down dinner)
Thu., Sep. 3	Spätburgunder and other German Reds
Thu., Oct 15	Exploring the German Wine Regions
Thu., Dec. 3	Holiday Sparklers and Stickies

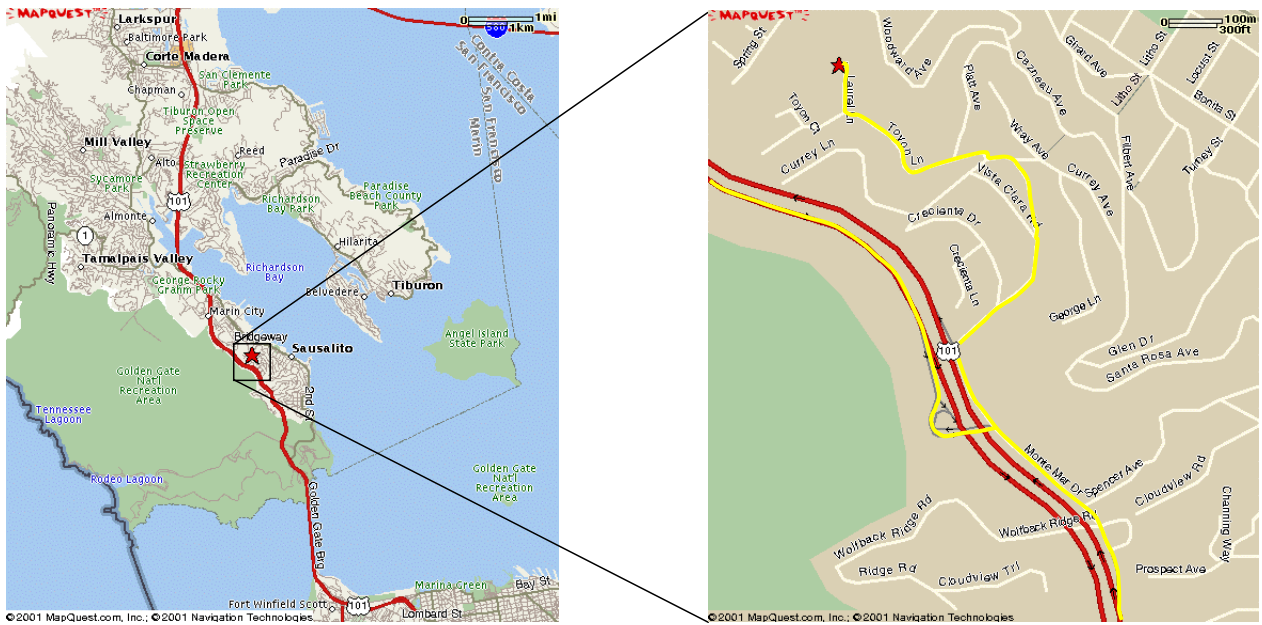
Best regards from your board.

Jim Gregory

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Driving directions to the Gregory residence in Sausalito.



Take US 101 to Sausalito (either from the South or North) and use the Spencer-Monte Mar exit. Take Monte Mar Rd. (not Spencer) downhill, passing Crecienta Dr. and Vista Clara Rd. on your left, to the stop sign at Currey Ave. Cross Currey and bear slightly left (toward a white guard rail) onto Platt Ave. Continue on Platt a short distance (about 200') and onto Toyon Lane. (Do not follow Platt when it makes a sharp right turn downhill.) Wind ahead on Toyon and take the first right onto Laurel Lane. We're at #1 Laurel Lane (bottom left). Park anywhere on Laurel or Toyon. Total distance from freeway exit to house: 0.7 mile.