



## April 2021 Newsletter

Spring has sprung and time has flown by so quickly. The past three months have kept me busy and have been filled with writing for various outlets, filming videos for Crush On This and Wine Weirdos, and hosting virtual tastings.

I am excited to announce that the podcast I host, Wine Soundtrack, recently received three awards!

- [Corporate Live Wire](#) - Wine Podcast of the year - Global Awards 2020
- Corporate Vision - [Most Innovative Wine Podcast 2020](#) - [Global Media Innovator Award](#)
- [EU Business News](#) - Excellence in Wine Industry Education 2020, Italy - European Enterprise Awards

AND, Wine Soundtrack is a finalist in three categories of the [Taste Awards](#), a lifestyle and entertainment media company. The Taste Awards 2021 will take place April 12th!

### Upcoming virtual tastings!

Travel through time with **WINECULT, Please The Palate, and Wine Weirdos** to the "Old Old World"! Learn about wines from the countries that started it all! We started with Croatia and then traveled to Slovenia. There is still time to sign up for wines of Armenia, Georgia and Hungary!

Armenia - April 16th, 6pm PST

Georgia - April 30th, 6pm PST

Hungary - May 14th, 6pm PST (ONLY 2 SPOTS LEFT)

A single class is \$75, two classes are \$72 each, three classes are \$68 each.

Each country's tasting bundle includes: 2 bottles of wine, tasting notes, a history of each variety, stories about the winemakers, and food pairings. You will receive the Zoom invite a couple days before each class.

If you are in California, you can order by the Monday prior to the event date. If you are outside of California, please order two Wednesdays before the event date.

For more information or to register, [click here](#).

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### **Forgotten Grapes Wine Bundle and Virtual Tasting**

There are more than 3500 wineries in California. That is a lot of wineries. Many of these wineries are small, family-owned businesses making anywhere from 500-5000 cases. At Please The Palate, owner Allison Levine loves to seek out these small producers and introduce them to friends through stories and events. Please The Palate is partnering with Chris Kern of Forgotten Grapes to bring you the best boutique wine bundle deals from California's Central Coast every month! These are not wines that you will find at your local wine shop or restaurant.

Each month features a different winery. The wine bundle includes 4 wines for \$100 + tax (\$150 value). Delivery is free and contact-less to people living in Southern California. If you live beyond Southern California, wines can be shipped - \$25 in California and \$30 outside of California to Western States (AZ, NV, OR, ID). Additional states, please contact us.

April Bundle: 4 wines from Piazza Family Wines in the Santa Ynez Valley and Virtual Tasting with winemaker Gretchen Voelcker on Thursday, April 15th.

March Bundle: 4 wines from Lapiane Wines in Santa Ynez Valley and Virtual Tasting with winemaker Alison Thompson on Thursday, May 13th.

To sign up for either of these bundles, email [info@pleasethepalate.com](mailto:info@pleasethepalate.com)

For a complete list of upcoming monthly bundles, visit the Events Calendar on [www.pleasethepalate.com](http://www.pleasethepalate.com)



Get to know the winemakers and winery owners behind the brands. Listen to the Wine Soundtrack podcast and get to know them through serious, thoughtful, personal, funny and sometimes challenging questions.

Recent USA podcasts are available with:

- [Kings Carey Wines - James Sparks](#)
- [Miller Family Wine Company - Wes Hagen](#)

- [MCV Wines - Matt Villard](#)
- [Bushong Vintage Company - Jason Bushong](#)
- [Niner Wines - Andy Niner](#)
- [Epoch Wines - Jordan Fiorentini](#)
- [ONX Wines - Jeff Streckas](#)
- [Vines on the Marycrest - Victor Abascal](#)
- [Field Recordings - Andrew Jones](#)
- [Freemark Abbey - Kristy Melton](#)
- [Jordan Winery - Maggie Kruse](#)
- [Utopia Winery - Dan Warnshuis](#)
- [Holus Bolus - Peter Hunken](#)
- [Papapietro Perry Winery - Ben Papapietro](#)

Recent International podcasts are available with:

- [Wine Soundtrack International: Armando Castagnedi, Tenuta Sant Antonio, Valpolicella, Italy](#)

Wine Soundtrack is available on [WineSoundtrack.com](#), [Soundcloud](#), [Spreaker](#), [iTunes](#), [YouTube](#), [Spotify](#), [iHeart](#) and on the Wine Soundtrack App. More podcast interviews are coming!

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## RECENT ARTICLES

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### PLEASE THE PALATE WINES OF THE WEEK

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Breathless Blanc de Noirs Sparkling Wine](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Imagery 2019 Chardonnay, California](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Epoch Veracity 2016, Paso Robles](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Tres Sabores Headline Red 2017](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Bortolomiol Ius Naturae 2018](#)

[Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore DOCG](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: J. Wilkes 2019 Pinot Blanc, Santa Maria](#)

[Valley AVA](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Shadow Run Vineyards and Winery 2017](#)

[Untamed, Paso Robles](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Laurent Perrier Cuvée Rosé Brut](#)

[Champagne](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Dubost Homestead White NV, Central](#)

[Coast](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Terragena 2018 Riesling, Wiley Vineyard,](#)

[Anderson Valley](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Piazza Family Wines 2019 Carbonic](#)

[Graciano, Bella Vista Vineyard, Ballard Canyon, Santa Barbara County](#)  
[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Giusti 2017 Recantina “Augusto” Montello](#)  
[– Colli Asolani DOC](#)

[Please The Palate Wine of the Week: Girasole Vineyards 2019 Pinot Blanc,](#)  
[Mendocino County](#)

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## **PLEASE THE PALATE PICKS OF THE WEEK**

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Somm TV](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Castello di Amorosa non-vintage non-](#)  
[alcoholic grape juices](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Roseade Rosé Lemonade](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: In Door Rowing Out Doors at Row House](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Hoopes Vineyard Tasting Kits with](#)  
[Bellwether Farms Cheeses and Kollar Chocolates](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Open That Bottle Night](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Crafting Valentines While Drinking Old](#)  
[Westminster “You Are My Sunshine” 2019 Sparkling Piquette](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Zaca Creek Inn and Tavern in Buellton in](#)  
[the Santa Ynez Valley](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Dinner from The Slanted Door in San](#)  
[Francisco via Goldbelly](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Genever Cocktail Lesson & Shake-along](#)  
[Wine Glasses for Wine Flavor are the Please The Palate Pick of the Week](#)

[Virtual Blind Wine Tasting is the Please The Palate Pick of the Week](#)

[Please The Palate Pick of the Week: Making Churros at Home with the San](#)  
[Diablo Artisan Churros’ Churro Maker](#)

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## **WINE**

[Four Questions, Four Wines with Larry Schaffer of Tercero Wines](#)

[Four Questions, Four Wines with Ross Halleck of Halleck Vineyard](#)

[Four Questions, Four Wines with Jill Klein Matthiasson of Matthiasson Wines](#)

[Four Questions, Four Wines with Kathy Joseph of Fiddlehead Cellars](#)

[Meadowcroft Wines – Sonoma Wine Tasting Experience](#)

[A Peek at the 2016 Brunello di Montalcino with Col d’Orcia](#)

[Arizona: An emerging wine region](#)

[The Old Vines of Lodi](#)

[Sullivan Rutherford Estate – Championing Merlot in the Napa Valley](#)

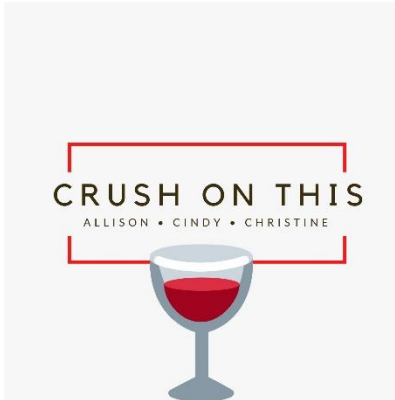
[Caroline Latrive and Champagne Ayala](#)  
[Three Generations of Bacigalupi Women](#)  
[Sans Wine Co. – Elevating the canned wine category](#)

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## **SPIRITS**

[Celebrate National Ti’Punch Day with a Spiribam R\(h\)um Ti’Punch](#)  
[Riga Black Balsam: Elixir for Life](#)

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## **CRUSH ON THIS VIDEOS**

[Unusual Red Wine Blends: Crush On This Episode 37](#)  
[Vibrant Viognier Wine – Crush On This Episode 36](#)  
[Likable Pinot Gris – Crush On This Episode 35](#)  
[Drink Riesling, One of the World’s Most Versatile Grapes – Crush On This Episode 34](#)  
[Australian Wine Regions – Crush On This Episode 33](#)  
[Classic Fortified Wines – Crush On This Episode 32](#)  
[Catchy Wine Labels that Talk to You! – Crush On This Episode 31](#)  
[Drink Champagne Every Day with Lanson Champagne – Crush On This Episode 30](#)  
[Wine and Music Pairings: The Tragically Hip, Earth Wind & Fire, David Bowie – Crush On This Episode 29](#)  
[Crush On This Episode 28: Chardonnay](#)  
[Crush On This Episode 27: Syrah](#)  
[Crush On This Episode 26: Italian Sparkling Wine](#)  
[Crush On This Episode 25: Chillable Red Wines](#)

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## WINE WEIRDOS VIDEOS

[Bortolomiol Rive 70th Anniversary Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore  
DOCG Italian Sparkling Wine](#)

[2018 Owen Roe Ex Umbris Syrah Washington State Red Wine](#)

[2019 Kings Carey Vogelzang Vineyard Semillon Happy Canyon of Santa  
Barbara County White Wine](#)

[2017 Owen Roe Red Wine Yakima Valley Washington](#)

[2019 Field Recordings Morro View Gruner Veltliner Edna Valley California  
White Wine](#)

[2018 ZANTHO Blaufränkisch Burgenland Austria Winemonger Imports Red  
Wine](#)

[2017 Bushong Vintage Company Faire-la-Fête Sparkling Gewürztraminer,  
Paso Robles, California Wine](#)

[2016 Santos da Casa Reserva Vinho Regional Alentejano Portugal Red  
Wine](#)

[2019 Robert Hall, Sauvignon Blanc, Paso Robles, California White Wine](#)

[2018 Liquid Farm White Hill Chardonnay, Santa Rita Hills, California, White  
Wine](#)

[2019 Acorn Rosato, Alegría Vineyards, Russian River Valley, Sonoma  
County, California, Rose Wine](#)

