

Gamble Family Vineyards brings their farming legacy to Harvest Wine & Food Festival

Gamble Family Vineyards, based in Oakville, California, will bring its super-premium wines to South Walton this fall for the Harvest Wine & Food Festival, a showcase of fine wines and fine dining.

The boutique, Napa Valley vineyard is sending its national sales manager, Michael Kasper, to pour high-end wines at Café Thirty-A in Seagrove Beach on Nov. 2. The “Celebrity Winemaker Dinner” will feature the vineyard’s 2012 Paramount red, a bold blend of fruits harvested from distinguished Napa Valley vineyards in a very good growing year. The wine was aged in French oak barrels for 20 months.

Kasper, a wine industry veteran for more than 15 years, also will pour Gamble Family Vineyards’ 2013 Napa Cabernet Sauvignon and its 2015 Sauvignon Blanc, while speaking to patrons about the farm-friendly history of the vineyard and the unique structure of Gamble’s wines.



Michael Kasper in the Gamble Vineyards

“These are carefully constructed wines made from exceptional grapes grown at select sites in the Valley,” Kasper said. “The 2012 Paramount is perfectly balanced and will be splendid with the main course.”

Gamble Family Vineyards, founded by third-generation farmer Tom Gamble in 2005, is one of three vineyards headlining the new festival hosted by Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation. *Wine Spectator* magazine ranks the foundation’s long-running spring auction No. 3 among the “Top Charity Wine Auctions in the U.S.” The 2017 event raised \$2.7 million for 15 children’s charities.

The Harvest festival features Celebrity Winemaker

Dinners at select restaurants in the region (Nov. 2); Al Fresco Reserve Tasting of library wines and rare vintages at WaterColor Beach Club (Nov. 3); and the Grand Tasting — an extravaganza Nov. 4 at WaterColor’s Cerulean Park of creative cuisine, celebrity chefs and tasting stations presenting more than 150 fine wines. A silent auction of rare wines, staycations and unique experiences opens Nov. 3 and ends Nov. 5 at noon.

To purchase festival tickets and learn more, visit HarvestWineandFood.com. All proceeds from the festival benefit the mission of Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation to help children in need in Northwest Florida.

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Tickets to the Nov. 2 Celebrity Winemaker Dinners, pairing various restaurants with celebrity vintners, are \$150.

Tickets to the Nov. 3 Al Fresco Reserve Tasting are \$200.

Tickets to the Grand Tasting main event on Nov. 4 are \$150 for general admission and \$300 for VIP.



FEATURED WINE

The Gamble Family Vineyards 2012 Paramount red

Paramount red is a blend of grapes from select Napa Valley vineyards. The composition is nearly equal parts Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot, with 5% Petit Verdot. This wine is aged for 20 months in French oak barrels. The winemaker describes it as satisfyingly medium-full bodied, with cocoa tannins, finely balanced between juicy fruit and savory notes. Dates, figs, soft strawberries and peppery red currants rub shoulders with tobacco, leather, pine needles and anise. The blend’s moderate alcohol, firm acidity and silky-smooth tannins frame a delicious flavor-packed finish.

