

TASTING SUMMARY

Date: 5/20/2019- Session No. 210 Open ⊠ Blind □ Theme: Wines from the State of Washington No. of Participants: 18

Forms Returned: 14

Wines		Ratings								
	Price US\$	Mediocre	Acceptable	Good	Very good	Excellent	Exceptional	Best Buy	Best Wine	Expert Rating
2017 Chateau Ste Michelle. Riesling Dry, Columbia Valley	9		2	1	6	3				WE 89
Minerality, balanced, lacks acidity, exceptional for its price, pleasant bouquet, lacks aroma, bubbly at the start, not at the end										
2016 Chateau Ste. Michelle, Rhone's Michel Gassier, The Pundit Syrah. Columbia Valley	30			5	7	1	1			RP 91
Great wine, structure and balance, strong body, needs three more years, nice and round, lacks pepper and spices, the best, velvety, full body tannins										
2013 Chateau Ste. Michelle, Canoe Ridge Estate Merlot, Horse Heaven Hill	37			7	6	2				RP 92
Vanilla, chocolate, black fruits, tannic first sip improves with time in the glass, good color, spicy and rough, soft tannins, long finish, alcohol, round										
2015 Canvasback, Cabernet Sauvignon, Red Mountain	26			2	6	6				WE 90
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Velvety, more like merlot, long finish, good structure and aroma, not good color, fruits and balance, typical Cab, balance and complexity

Overview: The 2015 Canvasback was selected as the best wine with marks between very good to excellent. It is remarkable that the Group gave similar marks to this wine in February (tasting 207). At that time the Group gave Good 4, Very good 6 and Excellent 5. The range of marks went from good to excellent for the reds and from acceptable to excellent for the white. The concentration of marks is highlighted in purple.

There are selected comments under each wine taken from the evaluation forms.