



***We request the pleasure of your company at the
1st Annual “United by Wine: A Tannat Experience” Wine-Tasting
Saturday, May 17th, 11:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.***

*Chateau O'Brien at Northpoint Winery and Vineyard
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Cost: \$10 per person*

Hosted by:
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This gathering will be attended by international growers and producers of the flourishing, robust red variety Tannat and will give you an opportunity to be part of one-on-one personal interaction with these owners. Guests will partake in a rare sampling of Tannats from regions in Uruguay and France, as well as the newly released, French oak aged Tannat produced at Chateau O'Brien at Northpoint, followed by a four course gourmet dinner customized to pair with Tannat.

The evening will be significant for two reasons: It will be the first international collaboration and promotion of Tannat held in the U.S., which means that it presents a significant opportunity to raise the profile and popularity of this up and coming variety; and second, it's a tremendous opportunity to demonstrate how these international partnerships allow growers and producers to leverage from the successful individual approaches of each other.

We believe this will be a night you'll remember and appreciate your consideration of this invitation. If you have any questions or require special accommodations, please feel free to contact us at the phone number or email address provided above.



MORE ABOUT TANNAT :

Tannat is a varietal traditionally grown in the southeastern region of France and Uruguay. It is the national grape of Uruguay and makes up 25% of their vineyards. This grape thrives in humid climates, so you can certainly understand why Virginia is already being hyped as a future leader in the U.S. for its production. Tannat is a full-bodied varietal that endures a subtle earthy tone with silky tannins on the finish – medium garnet in color, this wine has a compelling nose of raspberry, black cherry, and other undefined red fruits.

Tannat was only recently approved for growth in the U.S. Therefore, within the last few years many wineries have begun using Tannat as a blending varietal. More and more U.S. wineries, however, are beginning to produce single varietals with Tannat