



American Wine Society King George Chapter Newsletter – July 2016

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Our annual National Tasting Project (NTP) brought the return of those brown paper bags. Different from past years tasting projects, the National Chapter introduced to a two tier tasting that would span two meetings this year. Unfortunately, due to logistics, weather, and cost trying to pull this off became too tough of a grape to crush. (*Ok a bad Nut to Crack analogy*). Our president Terri Newman-Hyde presented our chapter a modified format choosing wines from the first tier and the more costly second tier offerings. The topic for the tasting was the ever growing in popularity Rhone Ranger wines. With juice from the grapes of Syrah, Grenache, Marsanne, Viognier, plus so many others, a smorgasbord of wonderful wines and blends are available from the Rhone varietals. West Coast producers in the 1980s formed a group with a catchy name, Rhone Rangers, which has spread across our nation. They have promoted and elevated the Rhone varietals grown in the US to national recognition.

The actual NTP tasting was abnormally quiet for our group as each wine was tasted and scored. A short overview of the goals of the tasting and expectations was given by Terri before the white and red groupings.



Terri added a little extra touch to our tasting by getting everyone's palettes sync'd to the varietals we would be scoring by offering a French Rhone White and Red as a benchmark. Many found this addition very helpful to awaken the taste buds and allow us to focus the characteristics of the varietals before we judged individual wines. The score sheets were collected and have been tabulated. The results will be sent to the national chapter, where they will be combined with other chapters results. A summary of the night's final results are on the next page.



After the formal presentation and the big reveal, a little of each of the wines remained allowing the group to have a little extra of their favorite and discuss the tasting. Terri did a wonderful job chasing down these wines and presenting them to the chapter – a big THANK YOU to President Terri!

September Tasting

Where are we going now Masked Man?

Back to King George! They are tasting Rhone Wines from the Commonwealth





1	14	Guigal Rhone (FR)	\$16
2	14	Cass Marsanne	\$26
3	13	Cass 'Rockin One' White Blend	\$32
4	14	Terroir Daronton Rhone (FR)	\$15
5	13	Thirty-Seven Gernache	\$26
6	13	Tablas Creek Pateline de Tablas	\$20
7	13	Summerwood Grenache Blend	\$40

	Wine 2	Wine 3	Wine 5	Wine 6	Wine 7
Overall Avg:	13.5	13.9	14.9	14.0	15.2
Taster #1	14.5	13.5	11.0	9.0	9.5
Taster #2	15.0	14.0	17.0	16.0	11.0
Taster #3	12.0	12.0	11.0	11.0	14.0
Taster #4	14.0	11.5	14.0	14.0	14.0
Taster #5	14.0	15.0	14.0	14.0	18.0
Taster #6	13.5	16.5	15.5	17.5	17.5
Taster #7	10.0	15.0	13.5	16.5	12.5
Taster #8	13.5	15.5	15.5	14.5	15.0
Taster #9	12.0	12.0	16.5	14.5	7.0
Taster #10	15.0	12.0	12.0	15.5	14.0
Taster #11	12.0	10.0	13.0	11.0	12.0
Taster #12	16.0	17.0	17.0	13.0	18.0
Taster #13	15.0	18.0	17.0	19.0	20.0
Taster #14	12.0	11.0	14.0	13.0	14.0
Taster #15	15.0	16.0	13.5	16.5	18.0
Taster #16	17.0	16.0	16.0	17.0	15.0
Taster #17	17.0	16.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
Taster #18	15.5	18.0	17.0	17.0	17.5
Taster #19	10.0	11.0	11.0	14.0	16.0
Taster #20	13.0	15.0	18.0	13.0	16.5
Taster #21	13.5	16.5	16.0	12.0	15.5
Taster #22	9.0	11.0	16.0	16.0	16.0
Taster #23	8.0	14.0	20.0	17.0	18.0
Taster #24	9.0	12.0	15.0	15.0	19.0
Taster #25	20.0	15.0	16.0	12.0	19.0
Taster #26	14.5	13.0	13.0	13.0	17.0
Taster #27	14.0	12.0	14.0	15.0	18.0
Taster #28	15.0	11.0	17.0	15.0	17.0
Taster #29	14.0	17.0	12.0	15.0	18.0
Taster #30	13.0	11.0	17.0	10.0	14.0
Taster #31	17.0	11.0	17.0	9.0	15.0
Taster #32	10.0	15.0	15.5	11.0	9.0

Not Part of National Tasting and Not Scored

First Tier Wine

Second Tier Wine

KGWS Chapter Moment...

Brad - Please Cut Along the Lines



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*A White Wine...
from France...
and Julie is Smiling!*