

MARTINI HOUSE

presents

Battle of the Vines!

June 15th to June 21st

It's Season Three of : The Battle of the Vines!

The Contender! and the RETURN of SEASON ONE CHAMPION...

Terra Valentine Cabernet Sauvignon

Spring Mountain District, California, 2005

Angus and Margaret Wurtele purchased their first vineyard on Spring Mountain in 1995. Their second purchase was the storied Yverdon Winery. The winery was constructed by then owner Fred Aves in the late sixties and finished sometime in the seventies. A recluse and self taught, Fred planted the vineyards, built the winery and made the wine by himself. The winery remained a mystery to most below the mountain in St. Helena. The Wurtele's refurbished the winery in 1999 and re-planted the vineyards in 2001.

Sam Baxter has been with Terra Valentine since 1999. And its winemaker since 2002

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The 2 Time Defending Champion!

Wicker Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon

Napa Valley, California, 2003

Ron Wicker is about as local as one could get in Napa Valley. He graduated from St. Helena H.S. in 1966. His father was the county trapper in Pope Valley for 30 years. Carrying on his father's sense of civic duty, Ron is also the Chief of the Fire Department in Rutherford. Ron and his vineyard management company consult for the valley's top vineyards. In 2000, he and his wife Lisa purchased their 4 acre Howell Mountain property that was planted to Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2003 vintage is only their third release.

Dennis Johns is the winemaker.

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A 2.5 oz. taste of each of the <i>'Battle of the Vines!'</i>	21.5

About *'Battle of the Vines!'* Here at Martini House, a lot of wine comes our way.

With nearly 400 wineries in Napa Valley alone, it's impossible to showcase everything.

Hmmm...what to do? Create a friendly contest and open the doors to our friends and neighbors for a good ol' fashioned smackdown! The two above wines are duking it out to

answer the question: Who continues to be poured by the glass? The winner after a one week

face-off advances to the next round and meets a new 'opponent'. So let's get ready to rummmble!