

Hi All

No need for a full Newsletter so soon but just as a reminder I have copied the details for this week's tasting. Don't forget the Payment advice sent with the January Newsletter. But just in case.

See you there.

Cheers

Robin

Wednesday 12th February 2020, 7:45pm for 8:00pm start

Johnsonville Community Centre Hall, [3 Frankmoore Avenue](#)

Members \$12; Guests \$16

Presenter: Guillaume Thomas and Esther Smith – Maison Noire



Maison Noire is small vineyard on the Waimarama Road, looking out to sea and surrounded by rolling hills. French winemaker Guillaume, along with NZ born wife Esther, have joined together to present a range of truly boutique wines from Hawkes Bay.

They Grow Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Chenin Blanc. Soils at the site are rich and black with a clay base, sloping gently towards the coast. Due to the small size of their vineyard they also source grapes from various growers in Hawkes Bay. This region has an amazing number of micro-climates and terroirs, each of them giving unique characters to the different grape varieties that are grown here.

They will present their- Arneis 2019 Sauvignon Blanc 2015, Rosé 2018, Chardonnay 2018, Cabernet Franc 2015, Syrah 2016, Cabernet/Merlot 2016. You will be able to order wines and pay on the night using Visa or Eftpos. It will be like going to France without the long flight.