

# NOBLE NEWS

APRIL 2012

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## SEASON OPENING



Spring is just around the corner. This year Noble Ridge is looking forward to another marvelous season with new staff, new events and sensational new releases.

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## NEW STAFF

Sadly, Noble Ridge must announce the departure of our Noble General Manager and good friend, Lynette Sahara, as she embarks on new adventures in the United States with her family. We could not have achieved the success we have had without Lynette. Truly a Noble person throughout, Lynette will remain an important part of Noble Ridge. The team wishes her all the best in her new ventures.

With change comes, new ideas and new opportunities and we welcome Benoit Gauthier and Tamsin Finnigan to our team. Benoit brings with him the experience of working his family's vineyard as well as working with us last season in the vineyard and some winery operations. Benoit's Noble character can be seen in the house that he built himself and as he enters the most Noble endeavour of fatherhood (Welcome Lilianne!). Benoit has joined



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### April 1

Wine Shop open Fridays,  
Saturdays, Sundays  
10am - 5pm

Release of 2008 Pinot Noir &  
2009 King's Ransom

### April 13-14

Kamloops Wine Festival,  
Kamloops

### April 27

Noble Ridge Winery Dinner  
at Calgary Golf & Country Club,  
Calgary, AB

### May 1

Wine Shop opens  
Daily 10 am - 5 pm

### May 3-13

2012 Spring Okanagan Wine  
Festival

### May 4

Noble Ridge Winery Dinner  
at Maple Leaf Grill in Banff, AB

### May 6

Talk, Tour & Taste  
in the vineyard with Owners,  
Noble Ridge  
Okanagan Falls, BC

### May 29

us as Vineyard & Winery Manager.

We are delighted to welcome Tamsin as our new Sales, Shop & Events Manager. Tamsin brings a wealth of experience, a world of ideas and magnificent energy. Tamsin's appointment has created great opportunities for Noble Ridge in sales, events and social media. Most of our Noble team is returning and will assist Tamsin and Benoit in easing into their new positions.



Noble Ridge Winery Dinner  
at Petite Restaurant, Calgary, AB

**June 30**

Pre-Stampede Breakfast,  
Noble Ridge  
Okanagan Falls, BC



**SHOP ONLINE**



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## NEW WINE RELEASES

Jim and Leslie are excited to announce the release of two very special reds, the 2008 Pinot Noir and the 2009 King's Ransom Meritage. The **2008 Pinot Noir** has been released in time for perfect pairing with the Easter ham or turkey. Only 300 cases have been produced and they are expected to sell out shortly. The nose on this Pinot exhibits strawberries, bing cherries as well as some earthy, spicy notes. Refined flavours of strawberry and cherry with a hint of plum are highlighted by a velvety mouth feel.



The **2009 King's Ransom** is our super-premium wine, produced only in extraordinary seasons. This is only the second time Noble Ridge has released a King's Ransom brand. The 2006 King's Ransom

Meritage, with its firm but elegant tannins, rich mouth feel and limited production, sold out very quickly. The 2009 King's Ransom Meritage is made from 50% Cabernet Sauvignon and 50% Merlot grapes, all grown in our Okanagan Falls vineyard. Beautiful aromas of cherry, spice, leather and vanilla initially greet you. The big, chewy, blackberry and dark cherry flavours combine with strong yet silky smooth tannins. The King's Ransom pairs beautifully with red meats, hard strong cheeses and dark chocolate. This wine is built to age for at least another 5 to 10 years - if you can wait that long! The King's Ransom is not sold in most stores but you can order any of our wines at [www.nobleridge.com](http://www.nobleridge.com), or better yet, come in and visit us in the Wine Shop.

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## **NEW HOURS**

Effective immediately the Noble Ridge Wine Shop will be open Friday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Shop will be open everyday, starting May 1st. Guests wishing to visit the shop at other times are welcome to make an appointment by calling 250-497-7945. Come in and discover all of the award winning wines Noble Ridge has to offer along with occasional food samples at the bar and the fully stocked Noble Fridge that features artisanal cheeses, meats, breads, tapenades and antipastos. During your visit you can explore the one of a kind merchandise available.



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## **NOBLE RIDGE WINERY DINNERS**

Leslie, Jim and Winemaker Phil Soo love meeting

their Noble guests and having the opportunity to discuss the heart and wines of Noble Ridge. Winery dinners have been a great success and they are looking forward to the upcoming events. All are welcome to come out and enjoy a wonderful meal matched perfectly with magnificent wine to provide a sensational experience.

Upcoming dinners:

**Friday, April 27th** at the Calgary Golf and Country Club, Calgary. Please contact Chef Vincent at [Vincent@cgandcc.com](mailto:Vincent@cgandcc.com) for more information.

**Friday, May 4th** at the Maple Leaf Grill, Banff. Please contact Leslie at [leslie@nobleridge.com](mailto:leslie@nobleridge.com) for more information.

**Tuesday, May 29th** at the Petite Restaurant, Calgary. Please contact Chef Jarod or Pat at [prasberry@shaw.ca](mailto:prasberry@shaw.ca) for more information.

If you would like to have a Noble Ridge Dinner at your favourite restaurant please contact Jim and Leslie at [www.nobleridge.com](http://www.nobleridge.com) or on Facebook or Twitter.

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## **OKANAGAN SPRING WINE FESTIVAL**

**May 3-13, 2012**

Lots of activities planned for every interest throughout the Okanagan Valley this spring. Noble Ridge will be actively participating in a number of activities. Come join us at any of the following events.

WestJet Tastings - Rotary Centre, **Kelowna**  
Friday, May 4

Bacchanalia - Lakeside Centre, **Penticton**  
Saturday, May 5

Talk, Tour & Taste - Noble Ridge, **Okanagan Falls**  
Sunday, May 6

Mother's Day - Noble Ridge, **Okanagan Falls**  
Sunday, May 13

***Come by and all mothers receive a special Mother's Day gift!***

Check out the Okanagan Festival website [www.thewinefestivals.com](http://www.thewinefestivals.com) or our own website



[www.nobleridge.com](http://www.nobleridge.com) for more information.

We trust that this Noble News finds you well and look forward to seeing you this year.

Happy Easter to all!

Jim and Leslie D'Andrea

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