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NEWSLETTER

**FAIVELEY TAKES FLIGHT:
ERWAN ON TOUR FEATURING THE 2024 RELEASES!**



Rocco Lombardo and Erwan Faiveley

We were delighted to host 7th generation **Erwan Faiveley** on his recent US tour, in which he made stops in Atlanta, Georgia and Aspen, Colorado to showcase the 2024 vintage! Erwan reflects on the latest release: *"I'm very excited about this vintage because it reminds me of the old great vintages of Burgundy: a vintage that has nice acidity, that's bright, is very aromatic, not many tannins, and very bright fruit. I'm very excited and I'm sure people will really like it."*

We are equally excited about 2024. An above-average rainfall reduced flowering yields and, in turn, reduced the total amount of fruit. This allowed berries to concentrate in flavor, resulting in a display of wines with beautiful finesse. The red wines are delicate and elegant, offering remarkable concentration on the palate and showing similarities to the 2012 vintage. The white wines are light, fresh, and ethereal with balanced acidity, comparable to the legendary 2014s.



Erwan Faiveley and Ray Isle



WD & BBG Detox Hike



Philip O'Connor and Erwan Faiveley



Claire Gibbs and Erwan Faiveley

**ASPEN À LA FRANÇAISE –
ERWAN FAIVELEY JOINS WD AT THE FOOD & WINE ASPEN CLASSIC**

There's nothing like the fresh mountain air in the summer, and the **43rd Food & Wine Classic** did not disappoint! Our team sojourned up the mountain along with our special guest star **Erwan Faiveley** to bring the BEST of Burgundy to Aspen.

To show our appreciation for the Classic wine speakers, Erwan and Team WD hosted a **Domaine Faiveley** lunch with our friend, Beverage Director Vlad Luga, at **Betula** where the grands crus Burgundy was flowing, followed by an exclusive consumer dinner with our friend Chris Dunaway, Wine Director at **The Little Nell**.

On Friday, we opened the doors of the WD Condo for our annual Industry Magnum Party, featuring, featuring magnums from **Domaine Faiveley**, **Billaud-Simon**, **Domaine Les Monts Fournois**, **Chateau Montelena**, **Bergström**, **Schramsberg**, **Champagne Gosset**, **Biondi-Santi**, **GAJA**, **Castello di Volpaia**, **Benanti**, **Ca'Marcanda**, **Domaine Laroche**, **Peyrassol**, and **Familia Torres**.

And Aspen wouldn't be Aspen without a takeover of **The Little Nell Cellar**! Erwan dug deep into the family library to share some really special 2017s in large format, including **Bâtard Montrachet**, **Corton Charlemagne**, **Latricières**, and **Corton Clos de Cortons Faiveley**. The weekend was truly a feast for the senses. Thanks to all who joined us and, if we missed you, we hope to see you next year!



Shannon Coursey, Sarah Shomaker, and Sterling Tomkins



Claire Gibbs, Andy Lum, Erwan Faiveley, Shannon Coursey, and Vlad Luga



Erwan Faiveley, Shannon Coursey, Sarah Shomaker, Claire Gibbs, William Davis, and Andy Lum

**WHITE HOT:
GAJA'S NEWEST VINTAGE DROP**

This summer, temperatures are on the rise, making it the perfect time to delight in the exceptional newest releases from the **GAJA** white wine portfolio: **2025 Rossj-Bass Lange DOP**, **2024 Alteni di Brassica Langhe DOP**, and **2024 Gaia & Rey Langhe DOP**.

Rossj-Bass Lange DOP 2025

This unique Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc blend is sourced from three sites including the eponymous **Rossj Vineyard**, which was named for **Lucia** and **Angelo's** youngest daughter **Rossana**. The 2025 vintage was shaped by generally cool temperatures and a rainy winter and spring. The resulting wine boasts a precise and expressive bouquet of blood orange and bergamot with pronounced salinity and vibrant acidity that carry to a persistent and perfectly integrated finish.

Alteni di Brassica Langhe DOP 2024

Alteni di Brassica is named for the stone walls (alteni) that once surrounded the vineyards and the yellow flowers (brassica) that bloom there every spring. Sourced from vineyards in **Barbaresco**, **Serralunga d'Alba**, and **Trezzo Tinella**, the Sauvignon Blanc that goes into **Alteni di Brassica** has been produced at the highest caliber since its first vintage in 1986. The 2024 vintage opens with notes of sugared almonds and caramelized orange folding into tomato leaf, sage, and boxwood. The palate is rich and enveloping, balanced by a savory, gently sweet acidity. The finish is long, mineral, and persistent.

Gaia & Rey Langhe DOP 2024

Gaia & Rey wine is a direct line to the Gaja family's ability to look ahead while staying rooted in family traditions. Named by Angelo after his daughter **Gaia** and grandmother **Clotilde** **Rey**, it is the first Chardonnay planted in Piedmont and the first Italian white wine aged in barriques. Its defining character lies in the balance between tension and roundness, between sweetness and citrus-driven salinity. The palate boasts apricot, mango, white flowers, and honey, falling into a savory and long, deep finish.



**WILSON DANIELS GIVES BACK
TO OUR COMMUNITY!**

This month, Wilson Daniels partnered with **Meals on Wheels Napa** and **City Harvest NYC** to repack food for immediate redistribution to food-insecure communities in our home cities.

In total, **40 WD team members** contributed a full day of volunteering! Napa team members packed, sealed, and palletized 530 boxes of food, while the New York Office packed 3,085 bags of pears and 1,062 bags of apples, reaching 4,677 families. In conjunction with giving our time, Wilson Daniels pledged \$5,000 to City Harvest to expand our positive impact in our community. We are grateful for the opportunity to give back to the people that make Napa and New York home.



Taylor Neumann and Sarita DelaCalzada, Napa



Ellie Newcombe, Olga Matsumaki, Diana Gosden, and Tasmin De Reuck, New York



Terence Luk, Luis Filpo, Dominick Powers, Valerie Davis, Rebecca Rivera, Sarah Saltee, New York



Napa Crew at the Meals on Wheels Warehouse



New York Team at City Harvest NYC