



WINERY OF THE MONTH JANUARY 2017

STONE TOWER WINERY

Magnificent Views, Premium Wines, Impeccable Hospitality

Stone Tower Winery is more than just a passion project for proprietors, Mike & Kristi Huber; it's the culmination of their entrepreneurship, love of wine with family dinners and this beautiful piece of Virginia land.

Just south of Leesburg, Hogback Mountain has been home to the Huber family since 1975. From the ideal location combined with the Huber's passion for both wine and business, Stone Tower Winery was born. With the first vines planted in 2009, the winery opened to the public in the fall of 2013 in the Harvest Barn, and has continued to grow every day, opening the Tower View Tasting Room just last year.



The goal of Stone Tower Winery is to produce truly world-class estate wines. Guests visiting the winery will find magnificent views and premium wines equally matched by impeccable hospitality.

With tastings comprised of six wines, guests enjoy a myriad of styles from the ever popular sparkling wines to estate Bordeaux-style blends. While the secondary label Wild Boar Cellar has allowed for the production of an incredible variety of high quality wines, the Estate Stone Tower wines have been the flagship wines since 2013.

There are currently over 60 acres of French vinifera that include 12 different varieties, from the Viognier and Chardonnay vines that represent the oldest blocks, to the red wines that produced the Award-Winning 2013 Hogback Mountain, to the inaugural harvest from the Sauvignon Blanc vines. The winery produces roughly 15,000 cases of wine per year under the Stone Tower Estate label and their secondary label, Wild Boar Cellars. With industry vet Tim Crowe at the helm of the winemaking team, Stone Tower estate wines showcase a beautiful marriage of New and Old World styles. Incredible complexity and elegance is paired with wonderful fruit notes capable of wooing any palate.

As the winery continues to grow, the team strives to improve and expand the experiences offered to guests. In the past year, Stone Tower has introduced the incredibly popular SOMMinar program, offering highly educational tastings on most Sundays throughout the year. Typically with a focus on a specific region, the SOMMinar allows guests to taste Stone Tower wines alongside similar wines from around the world. Past tastings have focused on sparkling wines, Sauvignon Blanc, rosé wines, and Bordeaux style blends. The tastings last roughly two hours, with a format designed for facilitating questions as attendees taste through nine wines in flights of three. Food pairings are included to showcase the versatility of the wines and enhance the tasting. January will feature Merlot and Right Bank Bordeaux blends from around the globe.



Stone Tower's first-ever Wine Retreat is a three-day program, February 24 to 26, designed to offer fun and educational workshops focused on food and wine pairing, winter vineyard management, cellaring and production techniques, and more. A five-course wine pairing dinner with locally sourced ingredients and champagne brunch are some of the culinary highlights. Stepping into the cellar, the participants will experience crafting artisan Bordeaux-style blends with Winemaker Tim Crowe. In partnership with Lansdowne Resort and Spa, participants will enjoy two nights of luxury accommodations including resort amenities, complimentary transportation to and from the winery and gourmet meals. The retreat is limited to 25 participants. To register, visit <http://www.stonetowerwinery.com/winter-wine-retreat-2>.

The Stone Tower team's passion for wine, complemented with a dedication to hospitality, comprises the Stone Tower experience. Whether a first time guest or a beloved Tower Cru member, a commitment to providing an afternoon that exceeds expectations is of top priority. Find time to take a tour through the Barrel Chai, enjoy a day with the family at the Harvest Barn or sip a glass by the fireplace in the Tower View Tasting Room as you embrace the motto, "joy in every bottle".

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