

Mature Ports

1960's and 70's

Last year we examined a group of Ports from the 1990's to see how these younger wines were developing. This year, we will take the opposite approach and see how a group of older Ports have matured. They are these:

- 1963: Cockburn's, Martinez 1963
- 1966: Croft, Taylor's
- 1967: Cockburn's (English bottling)
- 1970: Cockburn's, Taylor's (Morgan Furze, London), Taylor's

Few of us will ever have a tasting like this again. Looking at the vintages, 1963 was magnificent, with perfect conditions. *Decanter* says anyone born in 1963 has a wine for life. Certainly recent tasting notes are highly complimentary. The 1966 was another excellent year which has to live in the shadow of '63. The Taylor's in particular should be remarkable. Sadly, 1967 was much more uneven and variable across the relatively few houses to declare. Fortunately, the Cockburn's stands out as probably the best of the vintage.

It has been suggested that the quality of the 1970 bottling may depend on whether it was bottled in Oporto or London. Other sources claim that the English climate, being cooler than Portugal, make English bottlings superior. Recent evaluations of "1970 Taylors" without further qualification provide scores in the 90's. We can taste both versions and decide for ourselves.

Our guide for the evening will be Eugene Mylnczyk. Eugene is a Master of Wine and works as a Strategic Brand Manager for Constellation Brands. He will be familiar to many as he has been a speaker in the past.

As always with our events, this will be strictly non-smoking, and we request your cooperation in not wearing any scented after-shave or perfume. The site is conveniently located on the Yonge Subway. Do not drink and drive.

Date: Wednesday, Mar. 14, 2018
Time: 6:45 p.m.
Limit: 60 people

North York Memorial Community Hall
5110 Yonge St. (under library)
North York Centre Subway

Cancellations accepted up to Mar. 12 — Jennifer Curran 905-829-4675, **evenings. No reservations by phone, please.** No confirmations will be issued — you will be contacted only if we are sold out. 'First Come' basis. Non-members may attend at guest rates but preference will be given to members.

You can register online using a credit card at winetasters.ca, or send in this form with a cheque.
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Names: _____

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Total _____

