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## EATALY VINO PRESENTS

### **Bava Winery** from Piedmont

Monday, March 14th  
6pm-8pm

#### **WE WILL BE TASTING:**

##### **Thou Blanc**

Over the years, the Piedmont region has become an established producer of white grapes as well as red, resulting in fresh and surprisingly intense wines. Even Chardonnay, an internationally planted variety, has established a niche in Piedmont, with excellent results. Thou Blanc grapes (named for the White Tufa that forms the backbone of the soil in the hills of the region) are cultivated in two vineyards, one in the Langa and the other in Monferrato. Both are on the calcareous

soils of fresh north-facing slopes, at an altitude of 350m above sea level. With its mineral quality reflected in the persistence of the aftertaste, the wine departs from the standard taste spectrum of international Chardonnays, affirming its individuality.

##### **Malvasia di Castelnuovo Don Bosco Rosé DOC**

The grapes that produce this exquisitely delicate spumante are known as Malvasia di Schierano, characterized by minute bunches with red, aromatic berries and produced in only a few of the municipalities in the northern part of the province of Asti. The Bava family has worked hand in glove with local winegrowers for over 50 years in order to ensure good results with this variety. Aside from the fact that it is a great D.O.C., this wine is excellent as a cocktail and aperitif ingredient. The Bava Malvasia Rosé, produced as a sparkling wine in the late 70s, pioneered the sweet aromatic rosé spumante trend that later was extended to include the better-known Brachetto. Today, this bottle is an icon in its class, displayed prominently in the best wine shops and a source of prestige for the Bava brand.

##### **Libera, Barbera d'Asti DOC**

Modern, surprising and fashionable, Libera is above all a good Barbera wine, made from the youngest vines at the PianoAlto estate in Agliano. All the wines produced by this estate are of prominent standing. They reflect best the qualities of the most classic Barbera-growing area, since the village is part of Nizza. Libera is a Barbera that accompanies the most diverse foods. Thanks to its extraordinary versatility, it has been received warmly by international wine buyers.

##### **Stradivario, Barbera d'Asti DOC Superiore**

This name was not chosen by chance. The dedication to the well-known violin is due to the amusing, but tried and tested theory that particular sounds accompany particular tastes during concerts in the wine cellar. Stradivario is a Barbera d'Asti Superiore made from grapes harvested at Cocconato, on the calcareous hills of the high Asti region. Deeply rooted in this area for four generations, the Bava family has kept the oldest vineyard for the production of these red grapes. They give a pure, long-lived Barbera, made in accordance with the international rules that reward strength and depth, without denying the territory identity. The grapes are harvested very ripe, and the yield is kept low in the vineyard. The wine making is characterized by a moderate contact with the air and delicate maceration, immediately followed by fining in new barriques. The outcome is a well-definite wine, extraordinarily rigorous, which recurs and keeps for years. Its outstanding elegance and superb aromatic precision come from its fining, masterfully merged with the Barbera character.

##### **Bava Winery**

The history of the estate boasts more than ninety-five vintages and four generations that have followed one another in the management of the

wine cellars and vineyards. It has been characterized by a continuous entrepreneurial, cultural and qualitative growth, step by step, in the typical Piedmont style. The family has owned their vineyards in the village of Cocconato since 1600. In 1911 the wine cellar was established, extending its vine properties in other villages of the Monferrato and Langhe areas. The estate of Pianoalto in Agliano d'Asti has been dedicated specifically to growing grapes for the crú Pianoalto, from old vines, and for the Libera, the young and the fruity Barbera. The flagship wine Stradivario gave to the winery a front role in the quality revolution in Barbera wine: it's a "grand vin" from family-owned vineyards in the village of Cocconato and can be found in the best restaurants and the most prestigious wine shops internationally. Malvasia Rosetta is the other wine that family experience has perfected. The Sparkling Malvasia Rosé anticipated the current fashion for sparkling aromatic red dessert wines years ago and remains consistently popular with its fresh and delicate aroma of wild roses. Of course, Barolo is the most famous Piedmontese wine at an international level. Barolo Bava come from the family estate in Castiglione Falletto and has an established reputation for elegance and reliability. The blend of tradition and innovation has led to the inspired creation of Alteserre, Chardonnay and Cortese grapes together form a fine example of a Piedmontese superbianco wine.

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