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WINE TASTING IN MEMORY OF
DR. CARLOS MOHAMED

FEATURING DAVID CUELLAR OF
VALDRINAL WINES

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Naif Carlos Mohamed, MD

Dr. Mohamed was born in Monterrey Mexico. He was an amazing son, father, husband, friend and an extraordinary physician. After marrying his devoted wife Maria Teresa, they moved to Baltimore and started their new life together where they both worked at the University of Maryland Hospital. After finishing his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology he completed a Fellowship in Gynecological Oncology. In 1978, Dr. and Mrs. Mohamed returned to Mexico to start his medical practice. In 1984, they moved to McAllen to provide their young family with better opportunities.



His great loves were his family, golfing, and his patients. He was very proud of his children, Samira a doctor; Carlos a dentist; Suleima a lawyer; and Yusef, a biology major who plans on attending medical school. Dr. Mohamed's greatest legacy for his children is the importance of family unity and using your talents and knowledge to help others.

Dr. Mohamed specialized in Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Oncology in the United States. Throughout his thirty year career and as a founding partner of Renaissance Women's Healthcare, Dr. Mohamed brought over 10,000 babies into this world. He set a wonderful example for his family in his love of his work: helping women deliver babies and caring for his cancer patients in a kind and compassionate way.

Dr. Mohamed's humor was one of a kind; his witty remarks will always be remembered and his jokes will be told for years to come. Generous to a fault, Dr. Mohamed took patients' calls at any hour and was willing to do any favor for his friends. His charm, handsome smile, and personality made him the person that we all wanted to be around. He was a gentleman in every sense of the word.

Dr. Carlos Mohamed lost his fight with pancreatic cancer on December 1, 2008, three months after being diagnosed. His hope was that with more funding towards research a cure can be found.



Valdrinal

This project of Bodegas Valdrinal, run by David Cuéllar, was founded in the year 2000 making his dream and passion a reality: the creation of VALDRINAL. From the very beginning, the primary objective has been the making of high quality, reasonably priced wine in small quantities. With the help of Ignacio de Miguel on the oenology side, they have been producing wines since the 2000 harvest and these wines already enjoy great prestige.



Bodegas Surco located in Ribera del Duero Spain, produce an average of 125 000 different sized bottles per harvest. One of the stages of the wine making process that must be highlighted is the barrel park. Currently, they have 530 barrels, of which 90% (510 barrels) are French oak and the rest are American oak. Each one of these barrels is carefully chosen and there are barrels from fifteen different barrel makers in the park. They diversify the type of wood used and the different levels of toasting of the barrels bought at the same barrel maker, and therefore there are no 4 barrels found in the park that are the same. These barrels have a maximum life of 3 years, and at the end of this period they are withdrawn and new barrels are bought, in such a way that 30% of the park is renewed every year. With this wide range of barrels and the constant renewal of the wood, very complex wines are produced.

After the aging in barrel, the wines are bottled and are aged in bottle until they are ready to be marketed. The temperature and the humidity during aging in bottle as well as the aging in barrel are perfectly controlled throughout the year.



VALDRINAL SANTA MARIA

100% Verdejo

A wine produced using Verdejo variety grapes, which is renowned for its fresh and fruity quality.

Unctuous on the palate with a pleasant first impression and a notable acidity very well integrated. Ideal accompaniment for all kinds of pasta, rice, vegetables and fish.

Available at: Feldmans and Alhambra



VALDRINAL 6 MONTHS

100% Tempranillo

A wine made from Tinto Fino grapes, with a quick stage of between four and six months in French and American oak barrels.

Attractive ripe red bigarreau cherry with a garnet colored edge. A fragrant and complex nose with spicy notes, with hints of ripe black fruit. It is round and balanced on the palate, with fine, polished and very fruity tannins giving it an

Available at: Alhambra



VALDRINAL 12 MONTHS

100% Tempranillo

A wine made from Tinto Fino grapes, mainly aged in French and American oak barrels for 12 months. The fresh harmony of wild fruits on the nose stand out over a fine wood which gives it complexity.

On the palate it is tasty and expressive achieving a balance of acidity and alcohol and some ripe tannins.

Available at: HEB (Trenton), and Alhambra



VALDRINAL CRIANZA

100% Tempranillo

A wine made from Tinto Fino grapes, mainly aged in French and American oak barrels for twelve months. The fresh harmony of wild fruits on the nose stands out over a fine wood which gives it complexity.

On the palate it is tasty and expressive achieving a balance of acidity and alcohol and some ripe tannins.

Available at: HEB (Trenton), Sahadi, and Alhambra



VALDRINAL RESERVA

100% Tempranillo

A wine made from Tinto Fino grapes, aged mainly in French oak barrels for fifteen months. The fresh harmony of wild fruits on the nose stands out over a fine wood which gives it complexity with spicy and balsamic hints.

On the palate the ripe tannins stand out over a significant fruity attack which leaves a long finish, an invitation to keep drinking. It has structure but also elegance.



This wine production was blessed by his holiness Pope John Paul II. The wine is now produced and bottled for his holiness Pope Benedict

Available at: HEB (Trenton), Sahadi, and Alhambra

Tasting Notes

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