



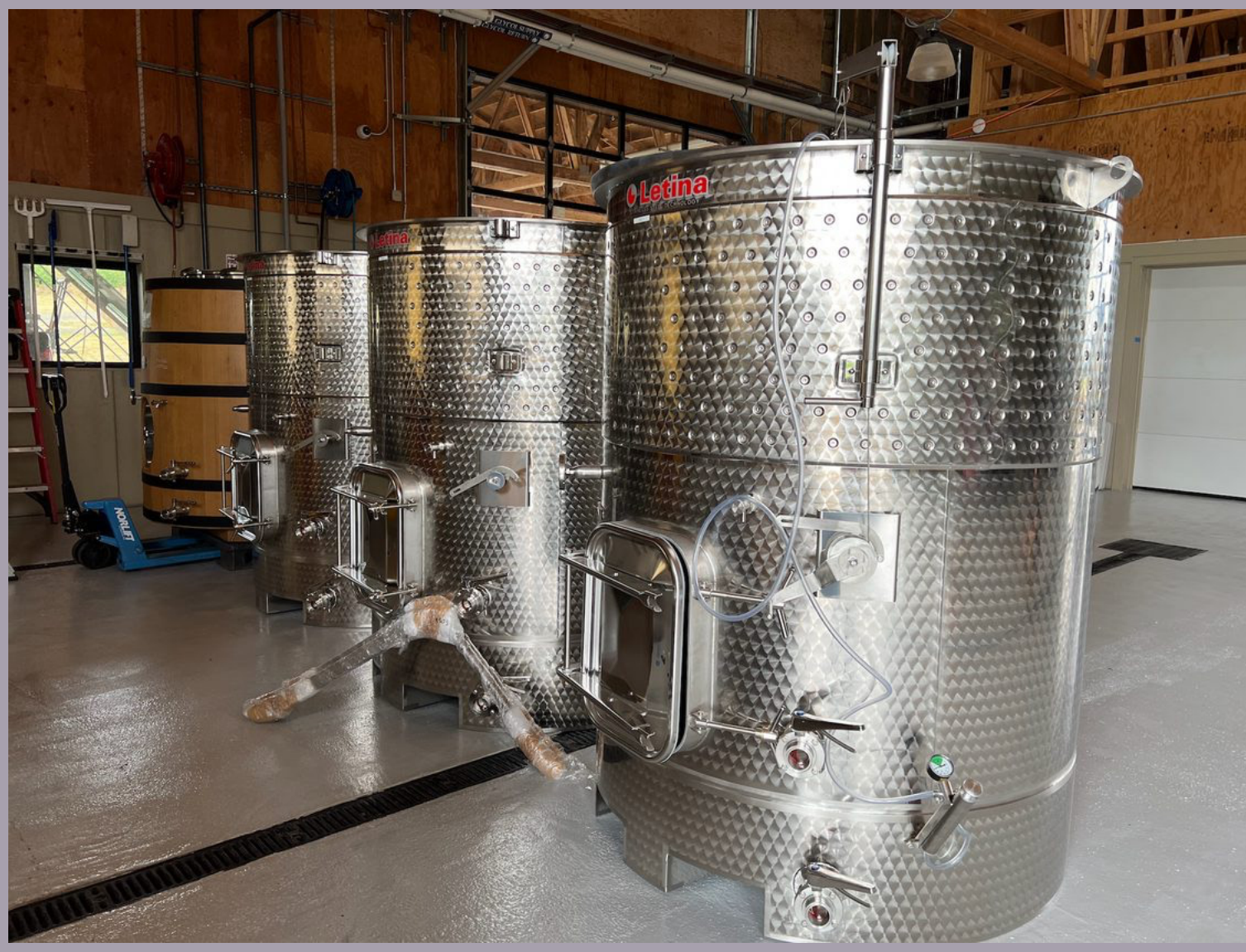
# LA CHOUETTE GAZETTE

News from the Vineyard

Spring 2023



Will Spring ever arrive? It seems our winter just keeps dragging along. It has been a long while since we have given you all an update. A lot has been going on at the vineyard! In addition to the Sauvignon Blanc that was planted in Fall of 2020 from which we hope to have a small harvest this year, we added another four acres of vines in 2021. Gamay Noir, Syrah, Viognier, and Gruner Veltliner complete the approximate 15 acres of planted vines for La Chouette. This magic number of acres allows us to build a tasting room on site which although a slow process, is in the planning stage. We are looking forward to having some new varietals to play with in the coming years.



Last summer we made a big decision and moved our processing to a new facility and winemaker. Our new winemaker is Erin Percheron who, along with her husband Laurent began production of our wines at the facility of [Andante Vineyards](#) in Dallas in 2022. This partnership is an exciting one for various reasons. We have known Joe and Karen, owners of Andante, for many years. Ben and Joe worked together in the medical field, and we both started our foray into the wine industry the same year. We have been cohorts for awhile and love that we are now able to partner with them and make wine in their beautiful facility. Returning to a smaller facility will allow us to be a little more involved in the production process and it is closer to the vineyard as well. Erin and Laurent make a great winemaking team and we are excited to collaborate with them in continuing to produce our wonderful La Chouette wines. Pictured above are some of our sparkly new wine tanks at the facility.

## Le Club Chouette Spring Release

Wine Club members be sure to watch your inbox for shipment details and to make any changes to your selections or adjust member information by April 10.

A late 2022 harvest has delayed our release by a couple weeks and it will be available for ship or pick up after April 22. It will also be available at our Run For the Rosé on May 6th.

Our 2018 La Chouette Pinot Noir, honored as Best in Class for Pinot Noir by [Savor NW 2023](#), will be part of this order.

Feeling left out?

Join Le Club

## Run for the Rose!

Mark your calendars for May 6th for our Annual Spring Open House. This Rosé and Derby-themed garden party is always fun.

And don't worry, there is no running required.

Event Info



We had the wonderful opportunity to do some wine research in Bordeaux, France and the Rioja region of Spain last summer. It is always interesting to try out new varietals and get inspired by the architecture and wine industries of other parts of the world.

Did you know that La Chouette is part of Harvest Hosts? It is an RV camping club where guests can stay, enjoy a wine tasting and hopefully a beautiful sunset and sunrise on the vineyard.

Whether for a private tasting, event, or stay, we hope to see you at the vineyard soon!

Cheers,  
Ben and Michelle



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