



HALEKULANI'S ORCHIDS FEATURES KENZO ESTATE WINES IN 2016

In anticipation of the upcoming new year, Halekulani's *Orchids* restaurant is launching its 2016 wine program with an exceptional selection of wines from Napa Valley's renowned Kenzo Estate Winery to complement the menu created by the hotel's distinguished team of chefs. The selection of wine on offer is the result of estate owner Kenzo Tsujimoto's two-decade long pursuit of producing a range of distinctive, world-class wines. The collaboration of these two highly esteemed brands will bring together the exquisite and luxurious palates of both Kenzo and Halekulani exclusively at *Orchids*.

The Kenzo wines offered and its recommended pairings carefully crafted by the *Orchids* culinary team include the following:

Asatsuyu – Semillon graces the 2014 *Asatsuyu* blend for the first in its history, enriching the Sauvignon Blanc with aromas of honey and white roses. *Asatsuyu* is perfectly paired with the Olive Oil Poached Salmon with Big Island goat cheese, pistachios and roasted beetroot.

Yui – Contributing brilliant color and bright fruit notes of melon, orange zest and persimmon, the Malbec is a welcomed addition to the *Yui* mélange. The Organic Chicken Tagine, served with a light quinoa and cranberry pilaf, is a great pairing for the *Yui*.

Murasaki – For the first time, Merlot becomes the wine's prominent player providing a true "Right Bank" offering. *Murasaki* is excellent with the Veal Chop, braised mushrooms, English peas and soy-sherry glaze.

Ai – Primarily blended with Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2012 *Ai* is bright and playful in its youth, but after some time, it will reveal many more layers of complexity. This selection is paired perfectly with the Beef Cheeks, served with gremolata and a potato-wasabi puree.

Wines are available in either 3-oz or 5-oz glasses or by the bottle. Prices are \$17.00 - \$34.00 for a 3-oz glass or \$28.00 - \$57.00 for a 5-oz pour. The cost of bottles range from \$140.00 - \$285.00.

To make a reservation and for more information, call Halekulani Dining Reservations at (808) 923-2311 or visit www.halekulani.com.

About Kenzo Estate Winery

Since being enchanted with Napa Valley after the historic 1976 Judgment of Paris, Capcom Founder and CEO Kenzo Tsujimoto dreamed of establishing a winery in Napa and crafting world-class wines of distinction, artistry and tradition. The wines of Kenzo Estate are the result of Kenzo Tsujimoto's two decades devoted to the pursuit of the finest Napa Valley winegrowing terroir. In 1990, his quest led him to the flanks of Mt. George, in Napa's southeast corner. In the pursuit of excellence, Kenzo Tsujimoto retains Master Vineyard Manager David Abreu and the refined winemaking talent of Heidi Barrett. David Abreu has grown premium grapes for some of the most respected wineries in the valley, such as Colgin, Harlan Estate and Screaming Eagle, among others. Heidi Barrett's previous experience includes winemaking at Screaming Eagle, Grace Family, Dalla Valle and Diamond Creek Wineries.

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About Halekulani

Since its inception in 1984 as one of the world's finest and most acclaimed independent luxury hotels, Halekulani has received more than 500 accolades, awards and honoraria. The property is one of The World's Best Hotels on *Condé Nast Traveler's* 2015 Gold List and was voted Best Hotel on Oahu in *Travel + Leisure's* 500 World's Best Hotels for 2015. Halekulani is home to *SpaHalekulani*, *House Without A Key*, *Lewers Lounge*, *Orchids* and *La Mer*, Hawaii's longest, consecutively ranked AAA 5 Diamond and *Forbes Travel Guide* Five-Star Restaurant. For twenty years, Halekulani has maintained a strong commitment to arts and culture through exclusive alliances with Oahu's most iconic cultural venues. Halekulani is operated by the Hotels and Resorts of Halekulani, a brand management division of the Honolulu-based Halekulani Corporation, which also oversees the Waikiki Parc. Halekulani is a member of The Leading Hotels of the World and is aligned with Tokyo's legendary Imperial Hotel.

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