

# *Messina Hof*

## **CELEBRATE WINE & ROSES FESTIVAL AT MESSINA HOF WINERY & RESORT**

BRYAN — The Messina Hof Wine & Roses Festival- a day long celebration of the budding of the grape vines and spring's first blooming of roses.

WHEN: April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 from 12:00-6:00 p.m.  
Team grape-stomp competition from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

MORE: Traditional European viticulture practice placed a rose bush at the end of each row of grape vines. Because the rose is a more delicate plant than the grape Old World Winemakers were able to gage the health of their vines and catch diseases or draught issues before they affected the grapes. Modern science has provided more accurate methods of disease and draught recognition, but in an industry steeped in tradition Messina Hof takes this opportunity to look back at the hundreds of vintages the Bonarrigo family has helped create and pays homage to their traditional methods. Join the family for a day filled with old world artisans, featured musician Sara Sharp of Austin, tours of the vineyard and production facilities, wine tastings, Chef's demonstrations, and a team grape-stomp competition.

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