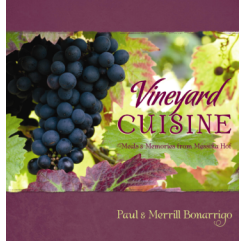




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## **Paul and Merrill Bonarrigo of Messina Hof Winery and Resort lead Central Market Houston Cooking Class**

**WHAT:** Paul and Merrill Bonarrigo, co-founders of Messina Hof Winery and Resort in Bryan, Texas, will travel to Houston for a cooking class, wine tasting and book signing at Central Market on Westheimer.

The winemaking couple will prepare four dishes from their third book, *Vineyard Cuisine*. The book shares Messina Hof Winery secrets such as perfect partnerships between wine and food, the Bonarrigo's creation of the "vineyard cuisine" concept, and more than 90 terrific recipes inspired by the "vineyard cuisine" concept that is served at Messina Hof Winery and Resort's The Vintage House Restaurant.

Paul and Merrill will entertain guests with stories of their life starting a winery and their experiences of creating award-winning Texas wines. While the food is cooking, they will carve out time to conduct a Messina Hof wine tasting.

Copies of *Vineyard Cuisine* will be available for purchase and Paul and Merrill will do a book signing and answer any questions after the cooking class and wine tasting.

### **Vineyard Cuisine**

Bright Sky Press

978-1-933979-02-1 hardcover with jacket

\$24.95

September 30, 2007

8x8 208 pp. 75 photographs. 100 recipes. Food and wine pairing appendix

Cooking/wine

For reservations, call (713) 993-9860.

**WHEN:** **Tuesday, April 15, 2008**  
**6:30 - 9 p.m.**

**WHERE:** Central Market Houston  
3815 Westheimer  
Houston, Texas 77027

**MENU:** Messina Hof Beggar's Purses

Paulo's Wedding Proposal Salad

Tonno alla Messinese (Tuna from the Straits of Messina)

White Chocolate Raspberry Bread Pudding

**Cost:** \$50 per person

### **Messina Hof Winery and Resort**

Messina Hof Winery and Resort was established in 1977 by Co-Founders Paul and Merrill Bonarrigo. Messina Hof was founded on family values, romance and tradition. Messina Hof is the leader in the establishment of the Texas wine industry and ranks as one of the fastest growing, most award-winning wineries in the state.

Four time winner of the "Top Texas Wine" at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Messina Hof wines are handcrafted at the winery, located in Bryan, Texas. Messina Hof Winery and Resort also boast on their 100 acre property the Vintage House Restaurant, origin of *Vineyard Cuisine* Cook Book, the Villa, which was voted "Most Romantic Bed and Breakfast in the USA" and the Wine Master's Room Wine Bar, voted best wine by the glass in the Brazos Valley.

For more information on Messina Hof Winery and Resort, please visit [www.MessinaHof.com](http://www.MessinaHof.com).