

Ever heard of "cellar palate"? It's when winemakers damage their ability to taste critically by drinking only what they and their neighbors produce, and ignoring everything else.

It's sad. And it'll never happen to 100-point winemaker Thomas Rivers Brown.

You're about to find out why, because you and two other couples (six [6] people total) will join T.R.B. (and Steve Nordhoff, Dean Gray, and Laurie Gray of Riverain Vineyards) for a dinner paired with wines from Brown's personal cellar: the Italian gems on which he has honed his palate, including old and rare Piedmontese wines from Giacomo Conterno, Bartolo Mascarello, and Bruno Giacosa. Chef Josh Mitchell will prepare the meal—and fly in white truffles from Italy for the occasion—to make it the rarest kind of Napa Valley night: one that sends your mind, if only for a moment, to another spot on the world wine map.



Of course, one cannot dine with Thomas Rivers Brown without partaking in some of his wines, so Dean and Laurie will cap the evening with a little something from their cellar to bring your palate back to Napa Valley: some of Thomas's greatest 100-point hits from Schrader, Maybach, and Outpost. All guests will spend two nights at The Riverain House, visit other T.R.B. properties, and go home with a collection of magnums from Mending Wall, Riverain, and Rivers-Marie, all made and autographed by Thomas himself.



LOT 13 INCLUDES:

- Dinner with Thomas Rivers Brown, and Steve Nordhoff, Dean Gray, and Laurie Gray of Riverain Vineyards.
- Dinner prepared (and white truffles flown in from Italy) by chef Josh Mitchell.
- Lodging for six (6) people for two (2) nights at Riverain House (Nov. 1-3, 2019).
- 100-point Thomas Rivers Brown wines served at dinner.
- Option to visit other properties (Mending Wall, Outpost, Rivers-Marie and Casa Piena) whose wines are made by Thomas Rivers Brown.
- The winning bidder will take home three magnums—Mending Wall, Riverain, and Rivers-Marie—all made and signed by Thomas Rivers Brown.
- Dinner to take place November 2, 2019.