

# DA VINCI *Bistro*

## THE WINES OF GERARDO CESARI

*since 1936*

### WINE DINNER

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

6:00pm | \$95pp

#### **ANTIPASTO**

**Cannellini bean puree with seared scallops**  
Cesari Lugana "Centofilari" DOC

#### **PRIMO**

**Ricotta & spinach tortelloni with Bolognese  
and gorgonzola sauce**  
Cesari Valpolicella Classico DOCG

#### **SECONDO**

**Assaggio di formaggi (cheese sampler)**  
Cesari Valpolicella Ripasso "Mara" DOC

#### **TERZO**

**Short rib brasato with polenta and rapini**  
Cesari Amarone Classico della Valpolicella DOCG

#### **QUARTO**

**Warm chocolate soufflé with vanilla gelato**  
Cesari Recioto della Valpolicella DOCG

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Space is limited and by RSVP only.

Please email [info@davincibistro.com](mailto:info@davincibistro.com) to reserve your spot.

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Ciro Pirone, Director of Italian Wines for Horizon Beverage Company, is a graduate of the Istituto Alberghiero (Hotel and Restaurant Management school) of Salerno, Italy and a Certified Italian Wine Specialist by the NASA (North American Sommelier Association affiliated with the Italian Sommelier Association). Traveling and working in Italy, England and the US,

Ciro developed an incredible passion for wine, food and culture. After all, growing up in Italy, wine was always a very important part of his family's lifestyle and traditions.

In 1999, **Ciro** moved to the US permanently. He landed in Boston, where he continued his wine studies at **Boston University, the International Sommelier Guild, the London-based Wine & Spirits Educational Trust (WSET)**, as well as he completed and passed with Honors the Italian Wine Specialist Certification by the **North American Sommelier Association** (part of the worldwide recognized Italian Sommelier Association). In June of 2017 he completed the **Vitality Wine Academy** and received the prestigious **Vitality Wine Ambassador** certification. In 2019 also passed with Honors the Italian Wine Scholar program by the **Wine Scholar Guild**.

In 2007, **Ciro** accepted the position of Italian Wine Specialist for Horizon Beverage. After successful growth at HBC, **Ciro** accepted on a new challenge as the US Brand Manager for the Arnaldo Caprai Winery of Montefalco (Umbria), the top producer of worldwide recognized Sagrantino di Montefalco. In June 2011, **Ciro** returned to Horizon Beverage with a new position of Director of Italian Wines in support of their expanding presence in the New England marketplace. **Ciro** is happy to share his passion for Italian wine and culture in an effort to give the American wine consumer a better understanding and appreciation for Italian wine!