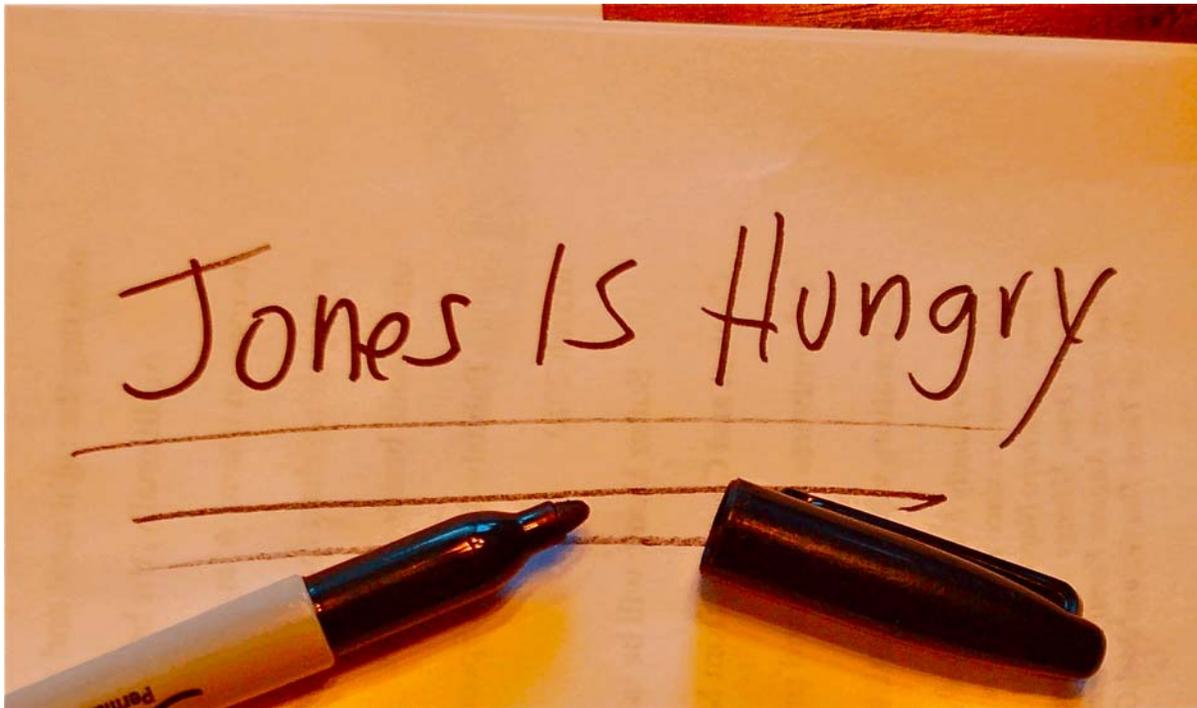


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#### WELCOME!

I'm Scott Jones—a very hungry food dude in every sense of the phrase. My mom and kids (and a few of my friends) think I'm a nationally recognized food and wine expert. Most folks know me as the former Executive Food Editor of *Southern Living* (1999-2010), and current President of JONES IS HUNGRY, a culinary media company.

These days, when I'm not wearing my "daddy blogger" hat, I'm focused on food and wine writing, recipe and menu development, television production, and culinary education. And, of course, sharing my food and wine experiences—from high to low—here on the JONES IS HUNGRY blog.

Quick backstory: I left a career in Hollywood back in the late '90s to pursue my love of food and wine. In doing so, I attended The Culinary Institute of America. I also have a

## Jones Is Thirsty: Vietti "Tre Vigne" Barbera d'Asti

Jones Is Hungry is branching out because Jones Is Thirsty too.

So in celebration of my new wine column in *Cooking Light* (beginning in the September issue), I thought I'd begin shooting short, one minute (sometimes slightly more than a minute) wine picks highlighting some of the great, value-minded wines I run across during my research.

This first clip is a little rough around the edges, but they'll get better as we go along (the director and producer is my 11-year-old, digitally-gifted daughter). We'll mix things up every now and then to keep it interesting.

If there's something I'm missing or must try, let me know. That's one of the things I most love about wine—it's a big, wide world out there, and a fun new discovery is always just around the corner.



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Magazine Publishing degree from the University of Mississippi.

My kids want me to mention that I've been featured on dozens of TV shows, from *Cooking With Paula Deen* to *Food Network Challenge*, and I'm the author of the *Southern Living Wine Guide and Journal*.

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## Tortilla Pizza with Tallulah

I cherish the moments I'm able to spend with my girls in the kitchen. They may not always cook (or eat what I cook!), but our time together usually produces some seriously good fun. Plus, the kitchen is my home turf—it's here that I have all the right moves and can do no wrong (at least in the eyes of my daughters), even when I make a royal mess.

If you follow my blog, then you already know of my kitchen adventures with my youngest daughter, Augusta (aka the Ravenous Pixie). But I don't often talk about Tallulah, my oldest, who's most comfortable behind the camera shooting video and taking pictures. (And the child has a true gift for all things digital, which comes in handy for an old-timer like me.) So when we had the opportunity to shoot a cooking segment together a few weeks back, we, ahem, / couldn't wait to get going.

Here's the setup: I was scheduled to film a spot for "Daytime Alabama" on Birmingham's [Champions for Health](#) initiative. Tallulah was enjoying her first day of summer, so I enlisted her to take a few behind-the-scene shots of me and "Daytime Alabama" host (and seriously cool dude/dad) [David Lamb](#) in action. When David caught sight of Tallulah, he immediately suggested that she not only join us, but that she also make the pizza. To say that Tallulah was caught off guard is like saying that Alabama can get hot in the summer. YEAH!

She rallied like a trooper, however, and powered through the recipe with grace. (Even though to hear her tell it, she was totally unprepared from a wardrobe standpoint. I beg to differ. I think she looked adorable.) Actually, let me back up—she did more than power through the recipe with grace. As you'll see in the clip, Tallulah held her emotions in (as well as a mouthful of pizza) when others would have screamed out. That's right, I gave her a piping hot slice of pizza on camera, molten cheese and all.

Tallulah and I are still friends, and she's assured me that we can work together again on camera...so long as I stick to cold desserts!