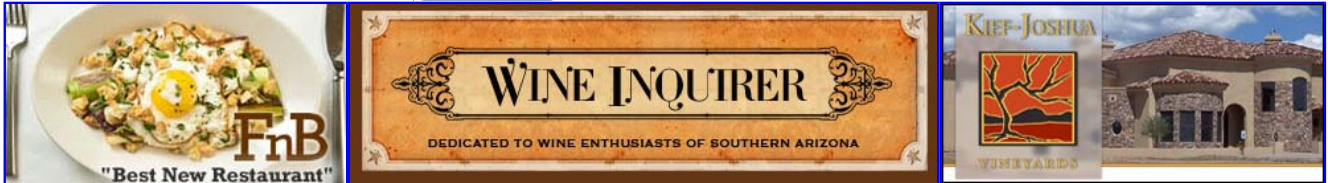


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Vietti's Luca Currado Serves Up a Lesson on Boston History



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Our visit in Piedmont would not have been complete without a visit to the storied estate of Vietti (www.vietti.com), run by Luca Currado. With storied Barolos such as the Brunate, Lazzarito and Rocche, an outstanding Barbaresco in the Masseria and the highly sought after Tre Vigne and Scarrone Barberas from Alba and the Tre Vigne from Asti, this estate is firing on all cylinders.

After greeting us, Luca took us on a tour of his facility that included a fascinating look at ongoing cold maceration. You can read more about this a see the [photo here](#). From there, we headed for the barrel room, through some very ancient corridors, one of which displayed three very old large flasks from Napoleon's time which were filled with several days rations of.....you guessed it.....wine for the troops. I think it's safe to assume that it wasn't the Brunate or Rocche.

As we were walking through the stone lined passages, speaking about our background from Boston, I added that I had read somewhere that one of his grandfathers lived in Boston for a time. "Oh yes," he chimed in proudly, "he was an engineer. "Did you know that he was one of the engineers who was involved in building one of the tunnels?" My wife, Rosalee, and I looked at one another, speechless. "You mean to tell me it's possible that your grandfather drew up the plans or actually assisted in building the Callaghan or Summer Tunnel?" "Yes, yes....exactly," exclaimed Luca. Then he looked at me out the corner of his eye, like a playful child who knows something you don't and laughed, "hah.....at least HIS tunnel didn't leak!!" I looked at Luca in shock.....I asked him how he knew about the new Sumner Tunnel "Big Dig" leak that occurred shortly after it opened after some ten years of construction. Turns out, he visits Boston on occasion.

So here I travel some six thousand miles to Italy and receive a lesson in Boston history. The world just gets smaller and smaller!

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