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SHELLI MORAN

Cellar 24 By melissa gautier

Wine expert and sommelier Shelli Moran travels nationwide and abroad to discover unique vineyards and fine wines her customers will appreciate. Since the opening of her neighborhood wine bar seven years ago, she has developed a loyal following of wine enthusiasts, eager to try her chosen selections. Located in The Woodlands at Sterling Ridge, Cellar 24 offers wine tastings, a monthly wine class, wine club memberships, Taco Tuesdays, live music, and private parties and events.

Significant experience has honed Shelli's discerning palate. Currently a level 2 sommelier, she worked at Fleming's Steakhouse for 14 years, 10 of which as a partner and proprietor. She is a five-time recipient of the Partner of the Year award and received the Legacy award during her tenure. Wine enthusiasts can register for her Saturday class, led by distinctive guest sommeliers. Last month's class featured a comparative tasting of wines that Shelli paired with beef tenderloin, black truffle pasta, mushroom risotto cakes, cheese, and charcuterie. Cellar 24 also offers three levels of wine club memberships, each including two hand-selected bottles of wine every month with discounts on retail wine, classes, and tastings.

Throughout her career, Shelli has been awarded Hometown Hero and Citizen of the Year. She supports the Montgomery County Women's Center, Montgomery County VA Clinic, and Inspiration Ranch. She has held board positions for Cynthia Mitchell Woods Pavilion, MCWC, Chaine des Rotisseurs, and Doctor's Outreach for Community Service (DOCS).

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