

Texas Cheese Exploration & Solaro Estate & Winery Tasting



Houston Dairymaids is a ten-year-old venture from seasoned cheese professional, Lindsey Schechter. Part business and part exploration, our goal is to meet artisan Texas cheesemakers, learn about their craft, and bring the best of their products to Houston. We look for cheeses naturally made by hand, and, when possible, from unpasteurized milk.

Through our cheese tastings and work with area chefs, we hope to share our experiences while expanding the offerings of specialty foods to our community.

Our shop is located in the Houston Heights in a building that was Danna's Market, a Sicilian grocery store built in the 1930s. Our Airline Drive neighborhood is a hub for many iconic Houston food businesses, including Tampico Seafood, Canino's Produce and El Bolillo Bakery.



THE SOLARO GROUP

Staying true to our motto, “great wines have no borders”, the Solaro Group produces and distributes limited production, internationally recognized wines from Italy and the United States. Solaro maintains the idea that great wines can be found in any region and that those wines should be made available to the world.

We opened the first urban winery in Houston to make our wines available to its globally-thinking metropolitan community. We are always looking forward to the future of Solaro’s wines and of the Texas wine industry. Thank you for joining us in this mission.

Solaro Estate is the culmination of generations of winemaking and passion for creating only the finest wines. The Solaro “S” stands not just for Solaro, the ancient residence of our family in Italy, but also the shape of Austin’s own Barton Creek as its waters border our Estate.

The Estate has been in our family since 1909 as a working, self-sufficient farm dedicated to agriculture. With our rocky soil and the Texas heat, we knew the ultimate use of our family’s land would be vineyards. Inspired by Barbara’s roots in Franconia, Germany, and Robert’s close ties to his wine-making relatives in Emilia-Romagna, Italy, we got to work making this dream a reality.

The Estate vineyards you see today are the result of detailed planning and using the most ultra-modern equipment and finest technology, the winery was specifically designed to maximize the production of limited quantities of complex and exquisite wines.