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My Love Affair with Wine

SYNOPSIS:

Motivated by his passion for all things wine, Larry has written a rich and colourful memoir that documents his exploits as a wine collector, winemaker, grape grower and – in his second career – sales manager for Calamus Estate Winery.

Wine has been the basis for Horne's many international travels with his wife and wine-drinking partner, Alice Bannon. They have travelled to five continents in search of the ultimate wine-tasting experience, and these adventures figure prominently in his memoir.

REVIEWS:

"Larry's passion for wine knows no bounds, particularly for Niagara wines. I first met Larry as an enthusiastic customer, always at various Ontario Wine Society tastings and later as a colleague in the business. I enjoyed being reminded of some of the many characters in the Niagara wine scene."

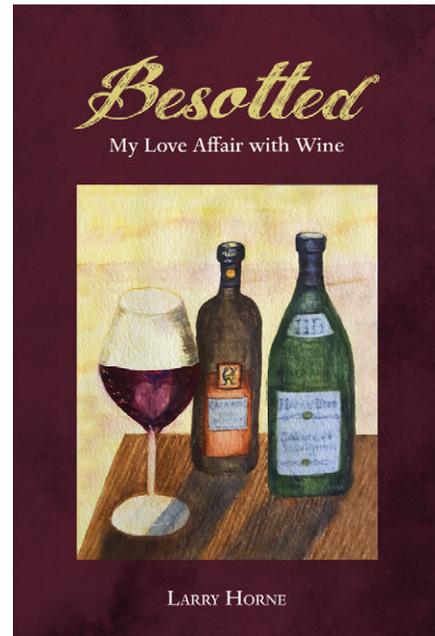
— Paul Speck, president, Henry of Pelham winery

"This book is as much about what Larry holds important in life as it is about wine. It proves that family, friends, travel, music, relationships, sport, careers, intellectual curiosity, and simply the all-around living of life to the fullest are equally important and memorable."

— Shaun Markey, author of *Folk Art in the Attic*

"Larry Horne's prose is matched only by his drunken wit – so read this book."

— Michael Pinkus, aka The Grape Guy, wine writer and educator



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Larry Horne grew up in Scarborough, Ontario, in the 1950s. He has lived in Northern Ontario and on both of Canada's coasts. A 1973 graduate of the Ryerson Institute of Technology (now Ryerson University) in Toronto, he spent thirty years in the broadcast sales industry before moving to St. Catharines in 2005 to work full-time in the wine business. His wine travels began in 1984 and continue to this day.