

# BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU INDEX

(with apologies to *Harper's* and *AlbertaViews* magazines)

- Length in miles of the Beaujolais region in France: 34
- Number of grape growers in Beaujolais: 4000
- Number of acres under cultivation for wine in Beaujolais: 55,000
- Percentage of Beaujolais planted with the Gamay Noir grape: 98
- Number of French wine regions besides Beaujolais where hand-harvesting is mandatory: 1
- Number of appellations in the Beaujolais region: 12
- Number of appellations allowed to produce Beaujolais Nouveau: 2
- Number of villages in the appellation of Beaujolais-Villages: 35
- Percentage of wine in Haut-Beaujolais that comes from Beaujolais-Villages: 25
- Number of cases of wine produced in Beaujolais annually: 13,000,000
- Number of cases of wine produced in Beaujolais sold simply as "Beaujolais": 7,000,000
- Percentage of Beaujolais wine production that is sold as Beaujolais Nouveau: 33 - 50
- Minimum number of degrees of alcohol of Beaujolais wine: 9
- Number of months that wines from the Beaujolais-Villages appellation can be cellared: 36
- Number of months that Beaujolais Nouveau can be cellared in an exceptional year: 12
- Number of months that Beaujolais Nouveau can be cellared in an average year: 6
- Temperature in degrees Fahrenheit that Beaujolais Nouveau should be served: 55
- Thursday of November that Beaujolais Nouveau is released: 3
- Date in November of the 2005 Beaujolais Nouveau Party at the Patching/Biersdorff home: 26
- Time that the first bottle will be opened at our 2005 Beaujolais Nouveau Party: 7:30
- House number on Harvest Oak Green NE that the party is at: 23
- Number of bottles or dishes guests are to bring to the party: 0\*
- Date in November by which to RSVP: 23
- Number to call to RSVP: 226-0585

*\*As usual, guests are invited to bring non-perishable items for the food bank.*

*Figures cited here come from various Internet sources  
researched by Kathleen Biersdorff in October 2005.*