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When perspectives are cluttered and hope is virtual, what remains is the warmth of love and the binding around small projects.

Whilst the turmoil (financial meltdown, economic crisis, demonstrations) in Lebanon started end of 2019 we were full of hope and energy for the future; however, the end of 2020 was radically different … the turmoil subdued, mainly because of Covid and the double blast of Beirut, sucking out the energy for activism and loosing the track of hope.

In such circumstances it is okay not to be okay. It is okay not to make sense. But what matters is the love of friends, team and family. What matters are the small projects that bring us together. What is important is the deep belief that better days lie ahead. What is essential is the trust that we deserve better. All we need is patience.

Usually in this season we would be pruning the grapes and preparing for the new harvest.

But surprisingly, even winter is not moving in as scheduled. The low temperature acts as an anesthesia for the numerous wounds that we inflict when shaping the vines. So we are waiting for that cooler climate before intervening in fear of injuring them when there is

still some vitality in the shoots.

In the meantime, we have been focusing on smaller projects such as experimenting the Massaya faqra new menu or developing our vegetable garden to have fresh supplies - kale, beetroot, broccoli – for Faqra.

For some cooking is loving, for Massaya that love starts from the roots, it starts from the seeds before blooming into a multi-sensory kind of love.

JANUARY SCHEDULE

MASSAYA BOUTIQUES:
Safe home deliveries from Monday till Friday

FIREPLACE:
Daily winery tours and tastings, 10:00-17:00pm
Temporarily closed until further notice

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