



YELLOW HAWK CELLAR AWARD WINNING WINES

2006 COLUMBIA VALLEY BARBERA

GOLD MEDAL: 2008 TASTER'S GUILD INTERNATIONAL WINE JUDGING

The judging panels were comprised of a carefully selected mix of winemakers, retailers, wine writers, restaurateurs, and knowledgeable consumers. As part of the total wine evaluation process, nearly 40% of the wines entered were randomly chosen for reevaluation to verify the accuracy and fairness of medal consideration.

"By sponsoring this wine judging event, it is the objective of Tasters Guild to give the consumer a reference point in choosing good, quality wine values," explains Tasters Guild President, Joe Borrello. "Tasters Guild recommends any judging results or tasting evaluations be used only as an informational guide in establishing personal preferences. However, with our reevaluation procedure, we take extra precaution to appraise the wines as accurately as possible."

SILVER MEDAL: 2008 WASHINGTON STATE FAIR COMPETITION

The Central Washington State Fair hosts the Washington State Wine Competition each year to promote the wine industry by informing consumers of the best wines available on the market from Washington State. Our judging staff maintain our objective of giving each wine entered a chance to receive a medal by being judged fairly and professionally

BRONZE MEDAL: 2008 WEST COAST WINE COMPETITION

Truly one of a kind! Established in 1990, it is the only wine-judging event in North America that is based on terroir - a group of vineyards (or even vines) from the same region, belonging to a specific appellation, and sharing the same type of soil, weather conditions, grapes and wine making savoir-faire, which contribute to give its specific personality to the wine.

In other competitions, this factor is ignored. At the Grand Harvest, judges taste wines with other wines of the same appellation. Thus, with cross-regional competition removed, the inherent quality of wines can be seen without the influences that sometimes eclipse even a wine of very high quality.

BRONZE MEDAL: 2008 LONG BEACH GRAND CRU WINE COMPETITION

The Legal Aid Foundation of Long Beach created a modest wine tasting benefit in 1988. In 1994, the Foundation's Board of Directors recommended a major shift in the development of the event and, in 1995, the Long Beach Grand Cru Wine Competition and Awards & Tasting fundraising benefit had its debut. The Competition continues to grow in size and prestige attracting wineries from around the world. It has gone from a one-day competition to two days. Medals are awarded in the following categories: Sweepstakes, Best of Class, Gold, Silver and Bronze. (Please visit the [entries page](#) to view the medal winners list.) The wine tasting and culinary event attracted 1,300 guests. These companion events were conceived to increase awareness and raise funds to support the Foundation's legal services and education programs. The Long Beach Grand Cru Competition has made its mark as one of the fastest growing professionally judged wine competitions on the West Coast.



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SILVER MEDAL: 2009 WORLD WINE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Beverage Testing Institute was founded in 1981 with the objective of producing fair and impartial wine reviews for consumers. Over the years, their buying guides have appeared in the *Wine Enthusiast*, *Restaurant Hospitality*, *The New Yorker Magazine*, *Wine & Spirits*, *International Wine Review*, *Epicurious.com*, *All About Beer*, and many others.

Judges' Notes: Violet garnet color. Aromas of chocolate, dried lavender, bilberry, and thyme follow through on a brisk entry to a dry-yet-fruity medium body with dried cherry, tomato and berry notes and a tangy, dusty mineral and cedar tannin fade. A tidy, herbal well proportioned table wine.

BRONZE MEDAL: 2009 SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE WINE COMPETITION

Acclaimed as the largest competition of American wines in the world and San Francisco's premier tasting experience, the SFCWC Public Tasting is held at Fort Mason Center's Festival Pavilion and features award winning wines from across the country.

VINTNER'S HONOR – OUTSTANDING WINE AWARD: 2009 SEATTLE WINE AWARDS

Grand Awards of Excellence are earned through panel consensus of the top wines in each varietal/price category. The Vintner's Honor ~ Outstanding Wine Award recognizes wines that have received the first level of scoring consensus to be eligible for an award.