



WINE & SPIRITS WHOLESALEERS OF AMERICA

Complete Results of the First Wine and Spirits Competition at WSWA

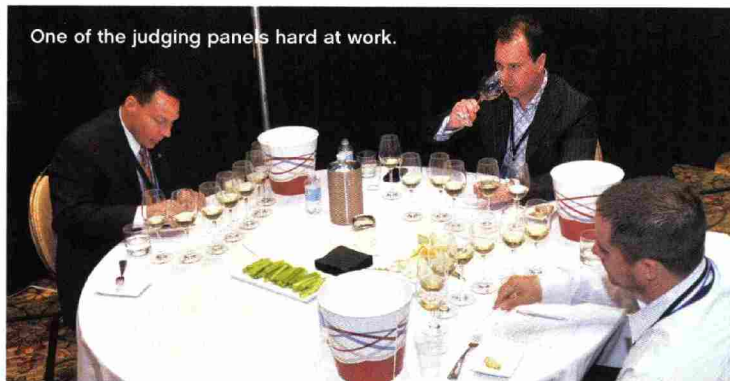
The First-ever Wine and Spirits Competition at WSWA took place this year's Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of America convention in Orlando, and was sponsored and produced by THE TASTING PANEL magazine.

The list of winners below includes some familiar names, but perhaps even more important, it also provides the beverage trade an introduction to some up-and-coming new brands that are worthy of consideration. Thanks to all the brands, importers and suppliers who participated. We're already looking forward to next year's competition!—Allison Levine, Marketing and Events Director, THE TASTING PANEL Magazine

■ denotes entrant in the New Brand category.

◆ denotes entrants in the Established Brands category.

Suggested retail prices listed when provided by the entrant.



One of the judging panels hard at work.

WINES PREMIUM AWARDS

Double Gold and Best New Other Red

Esporão 2004 Private Selection Garrafeira Alentejo Portugal (\$50) ■
ESPORÃO WINES

Gold and Best Bordeaux Varietal or Blend—Established Brands*

La Puerta 2006 Malbec Reserva Famatina Valley Argentina (\$19.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Double Gold and Best Bordeaux Varietal or Blend—Established Brands

Raza Argentina 2005 Malbec Limited Edition Famatina Valley Argentina (\$35) ■
BIAGIO CRU AND ESTATE WINES

Double Gold and Best White—New Brands and Best Wine in Show

Ruhmann 2004 Gewürztraminer Grand Cru Frankstein Alsace France (\$40) ■
BIAGIO CRU AND ESTATE WINES

Double Gold and Best Other Red—Established Brands

Saint Barnabas 2002 Dessert Red Wine Agios Konstantinos Commandaria Cyprus (\$19.99) ◆
CYPRUS WINE ASSOCIATION

Gold and Best Rhône Varietal or Blend New Brands

Silver Wings 2004 Reserve Central Victoria Australia ■
MARQUEE SELECTIONS

DOUBLE GOLD MEDAL

Castellani 1999 Brunello di Montalcino Riserva Brunajo Italy (\$85) ■
BIAGIO CRU AND ESTATE WINES

GOLD MEDAL

Ballast Stone 2004 Grenache Currency Creek and McLaren Vale Australia ■
BALLAST STONE/SHAW FAMILY VINTNERS

Barricas 2008 Malbec Mendoza Argentina ◆
DAVIS WINE IMPORTS, LLC

Traviata 2008 Ribolla Gialla Brda Primorska Region Slovenia (\$14.99) ■
LAUREATE IMPORTS COMPANY

SILVER MEDAL

Alpataco 2007 Merlot Patagonia Argentina (\$16.99) ■
Alpataco 2008 Sauvignon Blanc Patagonia Argentina (\$16.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Antigua Cava 2008 Chardonnay Mendoza Argentina (\$7.99) ◆
ECOVALLEY

Amaud de Villeneuve 2007 Syrah Vin de Pays d'Oc France ■
WINE BRIDGE IMPORTS

Arrowfield Estate 2007 Verdelho Sophie's Bridge Hunter Valley Australia (\$17) ■

Arrowfield Estate 2005 Shiraz Sophie's Bridge Hunter Valley Australia (\$17) ■
FINE WINE COLLECTIONS INC.

Bagueri 2006 Pinot Grigio Brda Primorska Region Slovenia (\$15.99) ◆
LAUREATE IMPORTS COMPANY

Barón de Villacampa 2004 Tempranillo Crianza Rioja Spain ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS



Bedegas Torrederos 2003 Ribero del Duero Reserva Spain (\$42) ■
THE ENYE GROUP

Bixio 2005 Amarone della Valpolicella Classico Italy ■
BIXIO COMPANY

Bordeaux Standard 2005 Bordeaux Supérieur France ■
Bordeaux Standard 2007 Sauvignon Blanc Bordeaux France ■

Bordeaux Standard 2005 Sauternes France ■
KLIN VIN

Ca'Momi 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley USA (\$25) ■
Ca'Momi 2007 Chardonnay Sonoma County USA (\$16) ■
Ca'Momi 2007 Rosso di California California USA (\$10) ■
Ca'Momi 2008 Bianco di California California USA (\$10) ■
Ca'Momi 2007 Pinot Noir Napa County USA (\$25) ■
CAMOMI WINES - NAPA

Caligore 2007 Malbec Reserva Mendoza Argentina ■
Caligore 2008 Torrontes Grazioso Mendoza Argentina ■
MARQUEE SELECTIONS

Catalpa 2007 Chardonnay Single Vineyard Mendoza Argentina ■

Catalpa 2007 Malbec Mendoza Argentina ■
DAVIS WINE IMPORTS, LLC

Cinque Terre 2007 Cinque Terre Bianco Italy (\$25) ■
BIAGIO CRU AND ESTATE WINES

Clemen 2007 Vinho Verde Reserva Portugal ■
MARQUEE SELECTIONS

Esporão 2006 Alentejo Reserva Red Portugal (\$20) ■
Esporão 2007 Reserva Alentejo Reserva White Portugal (\$16) ■
ESPORÃO WINES

Familia Barberis 2006 Malbec Mendoza Argentina (\$15) ■
Familia Barberis 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon Mendoza Argentina (\$15) ■
ECOVALLEY

Fosco 2006 Alentejo Portugal (\$15) ■
ARREPIADO VELHO

Frontaura 2005 Crianza Villabuena del Puente Toro Spain ■
BODEGAS FRONTAURA

Gran Tabula 2004 Ribera Del Duero Spain ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

L.A. Cetto 2007 Chardonnay Valle de Guadalupe Mexico (\$9.99) ■
INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS & WINES

La Puerta 2005 Gran Reserva Famatina Valley Argentina (\$35) ■

La Puerta 2005 Bonarda Reserva Famatina Valley Argentina (\$18.99) ■

La Puerta 2005 Syrah Reserva Famatina Valley Argentina (\$18.99) ■

La Puerta 2008 Shiraz Clásico Famatina Valley Argentina (\$9.99) ■

La Puerta 2008 Torrontés Clásico Famatina Valley Argentina (\$9.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Les Trois Couronnes 2007 Cotes du Rhône France (\$12.99) ■
OWS THE OTHER WINE AND SPIRITS LLC

Marquee 2007 Classic GSM Australia ■
Marquee 2005 Signature Shiraz McLaren Vale Australia ■
MARQUEE SELECTIONS

Matsu 2006 Toro Spain (\$35) ■
THE ENYE GROUP

Muscot of Alexandria 2005 Dessert Wine Limassol and Paphos Vineyards Cyprus (\$11.99) ■
CYPRUS WINE ASSOCIATION

Nals Margreid 2007 Lagrein Alto Adige Italy ■
Nals Margreid 2007 Pinot Bianco Alto Adige Italy ■
PADANIA WINES LTD

Palpite 2007 Alentejo White Portugal (\$25) ■
ARREPIADO VELHO

Pasqua 2007 Pinot Grigio-Garganega delle Venezie Italy (\$10.99) ■
OWS THE OTHER WINE AND SPIRITS LLC

Preta 2005 Alentejo Portugal (\$40) ■
ARREPIADO VELHO

Prime 2008 Chardonnay Canelones Uruguay ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

Quinta da Lixa 2008 Vinho Verde Portugal ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

Rentas de Fincas 2002 Rioja Reserva Spain ■
ROMERO & MILLER LLC
Sexy White 2008 Alentejo Portugal (\$13) ■
ARREPIADO VELHO

Silk and Lace NV Moscatel de Valencia Spain ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

St. Nicholas 1998 Commandaria Dessert Wine Cyprus (\$17.99) *
CYPRUS WINE ASSOCIATION

Steeple Jack 2008 Chardonnay Unwooded South Australia ■
BALLAST STONE/SHAW FAMILY VINTNERS

Tabula 2004 Ribera Del Duero Spain ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

Tamaya 2007 Carmenère Reserva Limari Valley Chile (\$14.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Temático Reserva 2006 Malbec Gran Reserva Mendoza Argentina (\$50) ■

Temático Reserva 2008 Viognier Reserva Mendoza Argentina (\$25) ■

Temático Reserva 2006 Syrah Reserva Mendoza Argentina (\$25) ■
ECOVALLEY

Traviata 2007 Pinot Grigio Brda Primorska Region Slovenia (\$5.99) ■
LAUREATE IMPORTS COMPANY

Valtea 2008 Albariño Rias Baixas Spain (\$18) ■
THE ENYE GROUP

Vereda Real 2003 Utiel-Requena Spain (\$33) ■
THE ENYE GROUP

Wine Cellar Polden 2005 Merlot Salta Terra Thracian Valley Bulgaria (\$14) ■
BULGARIAN WINE IMPORTS

BRONZE MEDAL

Alpataco 2006 Malbec Patagonia Argentina (\$16.99) ■
Alpataco 2007 Pinot Noir Patagonia Argentina (\$16.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Antigua Cava 2007 Malbec Famatina Valley Argentina (\$7.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Aphrodite 2008 Xynisteri White Dry Table Wine Malla Akamas Laona Cyprus (\$11.99) ■
CYPRUS WINE ASSOCIATION

Arnaud de Villeneuve 2008 Muscat Sec Vin de Pays des Côtes Catalanes France ■
WINE BRIDGE IMPORTS

Bagueri 2006 Ribolla Gialla Brda Primorska Region Slovenia (\$15.99) ■
LAUREATE IMPORTS COMPANY

Ballast Stone 2005 Petit Verdot Currency Creek Australia ■
BALLAST STONE/SHAW FAMILY VINTNERS

Barón de Villacampa 2006 Tempranillo Rioja Spain ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

Bixio Emilio 2004 Desmontà Merlot Arcole Riserva Italy ■
BIXIO COMPANY

BOE Brooklyn Oenology 2007 Chardonnay North Folk of Long Island USA ■

BOE Brooklyn Oenology 2007 Social Club White Long Island USA ■
BROOKLYN OENOLOGY

Bordeaux Standard 2004 Bordeaux Blend Haut Medoc France ■

Bordeaux Standard 2006 Bordeaux Blend Saint Emilion France ■
KLIN VIN

Ca'Momi 2006 Merlot Napa Valley USA (\$20) ■
Ca'Secco Frizzante NV California USA (\$13) ■
CA' MOMI WINES - NAPA

Caligore 2008 Staccato Mendoza Argentina ■
MARQUEE SELECTIONS

Chamarre 2007 Chardonnay Grande Reserve Vin de Pays Vignobles de France France (\$12.99) ■

Chamarre 2006 Viognier Grande Reserve Vin de Pays Vignobles de France France (\$13.99) ■

Chamarre 2005 Pinot Noir Grande Reserve Vin de Pays Vignobles de France France (\$14.99) ■

Chamarre 2003 Bordeaux Tradition Bordeaux France (\$12.99) ■

OWS THE OTHER WINE AND SPIRITS LLC

Damana 2005 Ribera Del Duero Crianza Spain ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

Dominio de Valdelacasa Cosecha 2006 Villabuena del Puente Toro Spain ■
BODEGAS FRONTAURA

Esporão 2007 Private Selection White Alentejo Portugal (\$20) ■
ESPORÃO WINES

L.A. Cetto 2007 Petite Sirah Valle de Guadalupe Mexico (\$10.99) ■
INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS & WINES

La Puerta 2008 Merlot Clásico Famatina Valley Argentina (\$9.99) ■

La Puerta 2008 Malbec Clásico Famatina Valley Argentina (\$9.99) ■

La Puerta 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserva Famatina Valley Argentina (\$18.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

La Viña NV White Blend Penedés Spain (\$8.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Marquee 2006 Chardonnay Signature Yarra Valley Australia ■
MARQUEE SELECTIONS

Marqués de Caro 2001 Tinto Reserva Valencia Spain ■
Marqués de Caro 2006 Crianza Valencia Spain ■
PREMIUM BLEND IMPORTS

Pasión de Tango 2007 Malbec Mendoza Argentina (\$10.99) ■
INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS & WINES

Pasqua Lapaccio 2007 Fiano Salento Italy (\$13.99) ■
Pasqua Lapaccio 2007 Primitivo Salento Italy (\$13.99) ■
OWS THE OTHER WINE AND SPIRITS LLC

Red Hill Estate 2006 Chardonnay Estate Range Road Vineyard Mornington Peninsula Australia (\$20) ■
FINE WINE COLLECTIONS INC.

Ruhmann 2004 Riesling Grand Cru Frankstein Alsace France (\$32) ■
BIAGIO CRU AND ESTATE WINES

Sexy Red 2006 Alentejo Portugal (\$13) ■
ARREPIADO VELHO

Tamaya 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Limari Valley Chile (\$9.99) ■

Tamaya 2007 Carmenère Limari Valley Chile (\$9.99) ■

Tamaya 2007 Viognier/Chardonnay Reserva Limari Valley Chile (\$14.99) ■

Tamaya 2008 VCS Viognier, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc Limari Valley Chile (\$9.99) ■

Tamaya 2007 Syrah Reserva Limari Valley Chile (\$14.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Temático Reserva 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Mendoza Argentina ■

Temático Reserva 2007 Petit Verdot Mendoza Argentina ■
ECOVALLEY

Valdivieso 2007 Malbec Single Vineyard Reserva Maule Valley Chile (\$21.99) ■

Valdivieso 2007 Cabernet Franc Single Vineyard Reserva Colchagua Valley Chile (\$21.99) ■
LAIRD & COMPANY

Vallformosa 2008 Chardonnay Penedés Spain (\$12.99) ■

Vallformosa 2006 Red Blend (60% Syrah, 40% Tempranillo) Penedés Spain (\$12.99) ■

Vallformosa 2008 Sauvignon Blanc | Penedés Spain (\$12.99) ■
ECOVALLEY

Wine Cellar Polden 2006 Mavrud Salta Terra Thracian Valley Bulgaria (\$14) ■
BULGARIAN WINE IMPORTS

SPIRITS

PREMIUM AWARDS

Double Gold and Best Flavored Vodka
Ziggys Apple Flavored Vodka France (\$24.99) ■
CALVADOS PERE MAGLOIRE

Double Gold and Best Blanco Tequila
ON Tequila Blanco Mexico ■
ON TEQUILA

Double Gold and Best Reposado Tequila
Blue Head Reposado Tequila Mexico ■
MICHAEL DRE LLC

Double Gold and Best White Spirit—Established Brand
Hacienda Vieja Tequila Reposado Mexico +
MARSALLE COMPANY

Double Gold, Best White Spirit—New Brands and Best White Spirit in Show
Brinley Gold Vanilla Rum St. Kitts ■
BRINLEY GOLD RUM

Double Gold and Best Vodka
Paulie Organic Vodka Brazil (\$12.99) ■
MERCOSPIRITS INC.

Double Gold, Best Liqueur—New Brands and Best Liqueur in Show
Creamy Creation Spiced Pumpkin Pie Cream Liqueur USA ■
CREAMY CREATION

Double Gold and Best Liqueur—Established Brand (tie)
St-Germain Elderflower Liqueur France +
MAISON GEME ARRONDISSEMENT

Aperol Italy (\$25) +
PALM BAY IMPORT

DOUBLE GOLD MEDAL

Blue Head Blanco Tequila Mexico ■
MICHAEL DRE LLC

Cold River Maine Potato Vodka USA (\$35) ■
MAINE DISTILLERIES, LLC

Mijos Mezcal Joven Mexico (\$60) ■
CABALLEROS INC.

Monarca Tequila Reposado Mexico (\$50) ■
M & C TEQUILAS

Real de Penjamo Tequila Blanco Mexico (\$28) ■
PROCESSADORA DE AGAVE PENJAMO

GOLD MEDAL

Apple Pie Liqueur USA (\$16.99) ■
TEMPERANCE DISTILLING COMPANY

Brinley Gold Coconut Rum Coconut Rum ■
Brinley Gold Mango Rum Mango Rum ■
BRINLEY GOLD RUM

Campo Azul Tequila Reposado Mexico (\$29.99) +
INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS & WINES

Casoni Limoncello Italy (\$27.50) +
LAIRD & COMPANY

El Dorado Demerara 21 Year Aged Rum Guyana (\$75)*
DEMERARA DISTILLERS

FrostShot Caribbean Passion ■
FrostShot Cherry Bomb ■
WORLD FROST, INC.

Imperial Collection Super Premium Strong Vodka Russia (\$34.95)*
PROWOOD/WINE & SPIRITS

Krome Ultra-Premium Vodka USA (\$39.99/liter) ■
4TH STREET LLC

Lieutenant Dan Spiced Rum*
MARSALLE COMPANY
Mythe Absinthe France (\$49.99) ■
MERCOSPIRITS INC.

Pomosa Manzana Verde France (\$24.99) ■
CALVADOS PERE MAGLOIRE

Prairie Organic Vodka USA (\$25.99) ■
PHILLIPS DISTILLING COMPANY

Schwartzhog German Liqueur Germany (\$19.99) +
OWS THE OTHER WINE AND SPIRIT LLC

Scorpion Mezcal Añejo Mexico ■
CABALLEROS INC.

Sharkwater Tropical Liqueur USA (\$19.99) ■
TEMPERANCE DISTILLING COMPANY

Stinky Gringo Gold Tequila Mexico/USA (\$14.99) ■
STINKY GRINGO

SILVER MEDAL

Adan y Eva Tequila Reposado Mexico (\$36) ■
BH USA ENTERPRISES, INC.

Artemisia Superior Absinthe Verte USA (\$39.99) ■
FAT DOG SPIRITS

Blue Head Añejo Tequila Mexico ■
MICHAEL DRE LLC

Brinley Gold Coffee Rum Coffee Rum St. Kitts ■
BRINLEY GOLD RUM

Campo Azul Tequila Blanco Mexico (\$24.99) +
INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS & WINES

Cartavio Aniversario Rum Peru (\$19.99) +
Cartavio Gran Black Rum Peru (\$15.99) +
DESTILERIAS UNIDAS

Combiar Liqueur d'Orange France ■
COMBIAR USA

DeKuyper Burst Bar Shots Washington Apple Cordial USA +
BEAM GLOBAL SPIRITS & WINE INC.

Distillerie du Peyrat Cognac XO France ■
TOTALLY ORGANIC BEVERAGES

Finntastic Vodka Finland (\$14) ■
GLOBAL DRINKS FINLAND

Gran Sierpe Pisco Quebranta Peru (\$21) ■
PISCO GRAN SIERPE

Hornitos Plata Tequila Mexico ■
BEAM GLOBAL SPIRITS & WINE

Kai Vodka Vietnam (\$29.99) +
KAI VODKA, LLC

Laird Rare Apple Brandy USA (\$49.99) +
LAIRD & COMPANY

Lucano Amaro Italy*
MARSALLE COMPANY

Molly's Irish Cream Liqueur Ireland (\$12) +
TERRA LIMITED C/O BORD BIA IRELAND STAND

Real de Penjamo Tequila Reposado Mexico (\$32) ■
PROCESSADORA DE AGAVE PENJAMO

Rogue Spruce Flavored Gin USA +
ROGUE SPIRITS

Stinky Gringo Tequila Platinum Mexico/USA (\$14.99) ■
STINKY GRINGO

Sultanoff Black Liqueur with Vodka Flavored with Blackberries Europe ■
LLANDER, INC

SWIG Sweet Tea USA (\$19.99) ■
TEMPERANCE DISTILLING COMPANY

The Irishman The Original Clan Irish Whiskey Ireland (\$29.99) +
OWS THE OTHER WINE AND SPIRIT LLC

Zubrowka Bison Grass Vodka Poland +
MARSALLE COMPANY

BRONZE MEDAL

Adan y Eva Tequila Blanco Mexico (\$29) ■
BH USA ENTERPRISES, INC.

Anis Najar Super Sweet Anis Peru (\$15.99) ■
BODEGAS NAJAR/ANIS NAJAR

Blue Magic Mystical Tropical Liqueur USA (\$25.99) ■
TEMPERANCE DISTILLING COMPANY

Brinley Gold Lime Rum St. Kitts ■
BRINLEY GOLD RUM

Campo Azul Gran Reserva Extra Añejo Tequila Mexico (\$89.99) +
INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS & WINES

Cape North Vodka Sweden (\$39.95) ■
PALM BAY IMPORT

Cartavio Solera 12 Year Rum Peru (\$29.99) +
DESTILERIAS UNIDAS

CottonTini RTD Martinis Blue Raspberry Cotton Candy USA (\$10.99) ■
TEMPERANCE DISTILLING COMPANY

Deau Artisan Cognac VS France (\$21.99) ■
OWS THE OTHER WINE AND SPIRIT LLC

Dukes SweetT Vodka (\$12.99) ■
MERCOSPIRITS INC.

Girl Vodka, Cognac, Lychee, Raspberry ■
MARSALLE COMPANY

Hard Luck Root Beer Barrel Flavored Vodka USA (\$20.99) ■

Coole Swan Irish Dairy Cream Liqueur Ireland ■
COOLE QUAY LIQUEUR COMPANY

Kai Lychee Vodka Vietnam (\$29.99)*
KAI VODKA, LLC

Karma Silver Tequila Mexico ■
MARSALLE COMPANY

Khang Soju Korea (\$4.50) ■
JUMAR USE (NAEKOOK W&S CO.)

Nicholas American Gin USA (\$29.99) ■
FAT DOG SPIRITS

ON Tequila Añejo Mexico ■
ON TEQUILA

Real de Penjamo Tequila Añejo Mexico (\$34) ■
PROCESSADORA DE AGAVE PENJAMO

(r)1 Ultra Premium Rye USA +
BEAM GLOBAL SPIRITS & WINE INC.

Rogue Dark Rum USA ■
ROGUE SPIRITS

Snow Queen Vodka Kazakhstan ■
MARSALLE COMPANY

Stinky Gringo Margaritas Mexico/USA (\$18.99) +
STINKY GRINGO

Stunna Liqueur Melon Liqueur USA (\$34.99) ■
TEMPERANCE DISTILLING COMPANY

Sultanoff Vodka Europe ■
LLANDER, INC

SWIG Lemonade Liqueur USA (\$19.99) ■
TEMPERANCE DISTILLING COMPANY

Totally Organic Beverages Blackcurrant Canada (\$\$5.31/litre) ■
Totally Organic Beverages Pomegranate Canada (\$\$5.31/litre) ■
TOTALLY ORGANIC BEVERAGES

Touch Hand Made Vodka USA (\$29.99) +
Touch Hand Made Vodka with Key Lime Fruit USA (\$29.99) ■
FAT DOG SPIRITS

Trader Vic's Amaretto USA (\$24.99) ■
PHILLIPS DISTILLING COMPANY

U'luvka Vodka Poland ■
THE BRAND DISTILLERY

UV Vodka USA (\$12.99) +
PHILLIPS DISTILLING COMPANY