

W I N E S O F T H E D A Y

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2006 Bergstrom Riesling “Dr. Bergstrom” Willamette Valley

\$21.88 | \$225.85

FIRST NATIONAL RELEASE OF THIS WINE!!

The name is half serious (a tribute to Josh’s dad) and half joke (poking fun at the über-serious German producers like Dr. Loosen). Harvested over six days in mid October of 2006 from four different vineyards. This wine was slowly and carefully fermented entirely in small stainless steel tanks and barrels at cool temperatures over a six month period. Malolactic fermentation was blocked. Dr. Bergstrom Riesling has an explosive aromatic profile. It almost smells more like a German Scheurebe. The mouthfeel is rich and ripe with a full-bodied character for a Riesling. This wine still contains 1.7 grams of sugar per liter and is balanced by a nice ripe acidity which should make it very versatile in the kitchen. **900 cases made. We got 7 of ‘em.**



2006 Ken Forrester Petit Chenin (100% Chenin Blanc), Stellenbosch District (SA)

\$ 8.05 | \$89.93



“85 Points | Best Value | Bright, with lime, starfruit and almond and a light, fresh finish. Drink now. 60,000 cases made.”

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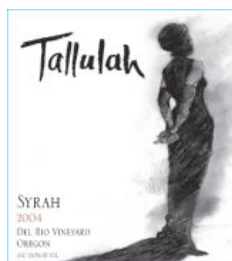


Stephen Tanzer's

International Wine Cellar

“87 Points | Very pale color. Steely aromas of lime, lemon and mint. Supple and spicy, with bright acids giving shape to the flavors of stone fruits and lime. Less deep than the estate bottling but impressive for its price and for the quantity produced. Finishes with a firm edge.”

Former restaurateur Ken Forrester is one of the wine world’s leading proponents of Chenin Blanc, South Africa’s most widely planted grape. In 10 years, production has zoomed from an initial level of 400 cases to some 85,000. From 1999 to 2002 Forrester converted all of his vineyards over to **Organics**, confirming that his intent is not just quantity, but quality. *Imported by Boutique Wine Collection*



The Wine Advocate
Tasting Notes



2004 Tallulah Syrah, Sonoma Coast

\$24.18 | \$283.44

“90 Points | The coolest climate wine...is the 2004 Syrah Sonoma Coast. Its dark ruby/plum color is followed by attractive scents of pepper, white chocolate, black currants, and sweet cherries. This soft, medium-bodied, elegant, delicate Syrah should be consumed over the next 6-7 years.” -Robert Parker. **620 cases made.**

2004 Tallulah Syrah, Del Rio Vineyard, Rogue Valley, Oregon

\$25.81 | \$302.96

“90-92 Points | The 2004 Syrah Del Rio Vineyard is a stylish, European-styled, deep ruby/purple-hued effort offering blackberry and cassis notes along with hints of smoke and barrique. It is dense and medium to full-bodied with good palate penetration yet a certain finesse and gracefulness. Enjoy it over the next 7-10 years.” -Robert Parker. **398 cases made.**

2004 Tallulah Syrah, Bald Mountain Ranch, Mt. Veeder (Napa)

\$33.94 | \$440.56

“91 Points | From Napa, the 2004 Syrah Bald Mountain Ranch possesses classic blackberry and cassis characteristics interwoven with notions of camphor and graphite. Made in a polished, refined, sophisticated style with authoritative flavors as well as abundant finesse and elegance, it should drink well for a decade.



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Like all of these offerings, it seems to have one foot in the New World with their ripeness and flavor dimension, and one foot in Europe with their elegance and stylishness." -Robert Parker. **175 cases made.**