

# CATERINA



## 2008 Chardonnay

- **90 Points; "Best Buy!"** - Wine Enthusiast  
"Big and concentrated, this is a huge mouthful of really tasty juice. Peach, pineapple and soft tropical flavors combine in a ripe and luscious wine, which puts the fruit well ahead of the butter and toast." (*May 2010*)
- **Silver Medal; "Highly Recommended"; "Best Buy!"** - World Wine Championships  
"Aromas of melon, baked peach, and dusty talcum powder follow through on a round entry to a dry-yet-fruity medium body with tangy green apple and pineapple core notes. Finishes with brisk, tart citrus peel fade." (*March 2010*)
- **"Excellent"; "Best Buy!"** - Wine Press Northwest  
"...approachable aromas of starfruit, bright pear, green apple, hints of oak and fresh corn on the cob. Pears and apples continue in a nice crispness on the palate, where lemony acidity gives it length into a steely finish." (*Spring 2010*)
- Paul Gregutt, The Spokesman Review  
"A ripe, luscious mouthful of really tasty peach, pineapple and soft tropical fruit, with a finishing lick of butter and toast." (*January 2010*)
- Chuck Hill, Wines Northwest  
"This value-priced Chardonnay really delivers with bright citrus and floral aromas and a light palate of white peach, citrus and toasty vanilla. This wine should be a favorite at your spring and summer cookouts." (*March 2010*)

## 2008 Viognier

- **91 Points; "Best Buy!"** - Wine Enthusiast  
"Beautifully concentrated and textural, this Viognier mixes melon, white peach, nectarine and lemon fruit with pleasing minerality. There is none of the burn or bitterness that so often affects Washington Viogniers. This is a really refreshing, palate-cleansing wine." (*May 2010*)
- **"Excellent"; "Best Buy!"** - Wine Press Northwest  
"It's rare to see this Rhône white at this price point, and the absence of oak adds to its personality. The nose winks at notes of clementines, papaya, white peach, starfruit and alyssum. There's more orchard fruit than tropical on the easy-drinking palate with Granny Smith apple, pears and lemon meringue pie, capped by good crispness." (*Spring 2010*)

- **"Recommended"** - Northwest Palate  
"Fresh scents of dried mint and freesia blossoms make the nose inviting. Bright in the mouth and full of lime and green apple flavors, the fruit is rich and focused, though the texture is lithe and lean. Decent balance and a forward character make this a vibrant wine to pair with fish." (*Spring 2010*)
- Paul Gregutt, The Spokesman Review  
"An immaculate Viognier mixing melon, white peach, nectarine and lemon fruits with pleasing minerality." (*January 2010*)

## 2007 Merlot

- **89 Points** - Wine Enthusiast  
"Fragrant and inviting, scents of black olive, black coffee, truffle and a hint of the barnyard waft up from the glass. This is a soft, mellow wine, that drinks older than its vintage. The fruits are full and melded together, and the finish has a little maple syrup sweetness." (*May 2010*)
- **"Excellent"** - Wine Press Northwest  
"This wine opens with cheerful aromas of cranberries, Rainier cherries and hints of leather, followed by bright flavors of red and black cherries, all backed with velvety tannins and a rich, luscious finish." (*Spring 2010*)
- Paul Gregutt, The Spokesman Review  
"Inviting scents of black olive, black coffee and truffle introduce a soft, mellow wine that drinks older than its vintage. The finish has a little maple syrup sweetness." (*January 2010*)

## 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon

- **90 Points** - Wine Enthusiast  
"Clearly varietal from the first whiff, this elegant Cabernet Sauvignon sets out a smorgasbord of flavors: plum, cassis, smoke, loam, a hint of the barnyard. It's nicely balanced, with polished but astringent tannins that carry the flavors into a lingering finish." (*May 2010*)
- **"Recommended"** - Wine Press Northwest  
"Strawberry fruit leather, canned pie cherries, bramble berries, Italian seasoning and menthol tones are found within a structure of sturdy tannins and food-friendly tartness." (*Spring 2010*)

## 2001 Willard Family Vineyard Merlot

- **90 Points; Gold Medal; "Exceptional"** - World Wine Championships  
"Ruby maroon color. Ripe sour cherry and praline aromas follow through on a supple entry to a dry-yet-fruity medium-to-full body with nice tangy acidity and a soft, savory and earthy fade. The perfect wine for pot roasts." (*February 2010*)

- **88 Points** - Wine Enthusiast  
"The wine is already mature . . . leaving notes of dried leaves, pipe tobacco and coffee grounds." (*May 2010*)
- **"Recommended"** - Wine Press Northwest  
"This long-time Spokane winery has put together a Merlot that is showing its age in an elegant way with aromas and flavors of dried cherries and strawberries and elegant oak spice." (*Spring 2010*)

### **2001 Willard Family Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon**

- **92 Points** - Wine Enthusiast  
"What a treat! Smoky, moist loam, coffee grounds, dried plum, anise, tobacco—a fully mature, complex and detailed wine at its peak. The veins of flavor keep coming through, adding dried leaves, saffras and more, as it weaves through the finish." (*May 2010*)
- **Silver Medal; "Highly Recommended"** - World Wine Championships  
"Aromas of chocolate covered raisins, figs and coconut husk follow through on a round entry to a dryish medium body with good depth and a tart berry, piney herb, and clay accented finish with firm, powdery tannins." (*February, 2010*)
- Paul Gregutt, The Spokesman Review  
". . . in its prime – smoky, earthy, with dried plum, anise and tobacco – a complex and detailed wine." (*January 2010*)
- **"Recommended"** - Wine Press Northwest  
". . . show very little age but plenty of power and true Cab character. There's a theme of black cherries, hibiscus, violets, green bean and cigar tobacco with a fascinating finish of Heath Bar ice cream." (*Spring 2010*)