



2006 Award Winners Santa Cruz Mountain Appellation Wines

The Viticulture Assn. of the Santa Cruz Mountains recognizes and congratulates our local wineries for their award-winning wines made from appellation grapes.

Local wineries won a total of 78 medals in the SF Chronicle Competition, and 49 of those were for appellation wines, including 14 out of the 19 Gold Medals won, 17 out of the 30 Silver, and 16 out of 29 Bronze. Pinot Noir had a particularly good showing, winning more than one third of the medals, with two thirds of these made from appellation fruit. Seven out of the 10 Gold Medals for Pinot came from our local vineyards. Here are the results, testimony to the high quality of our appellation wines:

Gold Best of Class:

Italian Other Varietals and Blends: Bargetto Winery 2000 La Vita Regan Vineyard

Gold:

Pinot Noir (\$20.00 to \$29.99):

Storrs Winery 2002 Santa Cruz Mountains

Windy Oaks Estate, 2003 Henry's Block Santa Cruz Mountains

Pinot Noir (\$30.00+):

Hallcrest Vineyards 2003 Belle Farm Santa Cruz Mountains

Hallcrest Vineyards 2004 Belle Farm Santa Cruz Mountains

Hallcrest Vineyards 2003 Veranda Santa Cruz Mountains

Hallcrest Vineyards 2004 Vista Del Mare Santa Cruz Mountains

Soquel Vineyards 2004 Saveria Vineyards Partners Reserve

Cabernet Sauvignon (\$30.00+): Byington Vineyards & Winery 2002 Bates Ranch

Bordeaux Blends (\$30.00+): Thomas Fogarty Winery 2002 Lexington Meritage Santa Cruz Mts.

Chardonnay (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Beauregard Vineyards, 2003 Trout Gulch Vineyard

Zinfandel (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Storrs Winery 2003 Rusty Ridge

Syrah/Shiraz (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Burrell School Vineyards 2004 Estate

Merlot (\$14.00 to \$19.99): Cinnabar Vineyards 2003

Silver:

Chardonnay (\$14.00 to \$19.99): Cinnabar Vineyards, 2004

Chardonnay (\$20.00 to \$29.99):

Storrs Winery 2004 Christie Vineyard

Storrs Winery 2004 Ben Lomond Mountain

Thomas Fogarty Winery 2003 Santa Cruz Mountains

Pinot Noir (\$14.00 to \$19.99): Windy Oaks Estate 2003 Estate Cuvee
Santa Cruz Mountains

Pinot Noir (\$20.00 to \$29.99):

Bargetto Winery 2004 Santa Cruz Mountains

Storrs Winery 2003 Wildcat Ridge

Pinot Noir (\$30.00+):

Hallcrest Vineyards 2004 Barrel Select SC Mountains

Hallcrest Vineyards 2004 Terra Serena Santa Cruz Mountains

Silver Mountain Vineyards 2003 Santa Cruz Mountains Miller Hill

Windy Oaks Estate Reserve 2003 Santa Cruz Mountains

Zinfandel (\$30.00+):

Beauregard Vineyards 2003 Beauregard Ranch Vineyard

Storrs Winery 2003 Lion Oaks Vineyard

Syrah/Shiraz (\$30.00+): Kathryn Kennedy Winery 2002 Maridon
Vineyard

Rhone Other Varietals and Blends: Storrs Winery 2003 Rhone Blend
Two Creek Vineyard

Cabernet Sauvignon (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Picchetti Winery 2003 Quarry
Hill Santa Cruz Mt

Bordeaux Blends (\$30.00+): Kathryn Kennedy Winery 2003 Lateral

Bronze:

Chardonnay (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Cooper-Garrod 2002 Gravel Ridge Estate
Vineyard

Pinot Noir (\$20.00 to \$29.99):

Aptos Creek Vineyard 2003 Aptos Creek Vineyard

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Soquel Vineyards 2004 Santa Cruz Mountains

Pinot Noir (\$30.00+):

Muccigrosso Vineyards 2003 Santa Cruz Mountains

Windy Oaks Estate 2002 Reserve Santa Cruz Mountains

Zinfandel (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Beauregard Vineyards 2003 Zayante
Vineyard

Syrah/Shiraz (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Soquel Vineyards 2004 Santa Cruz
Mountains

Rhone Other Varietals and Blends:

David Bruce Winery 2003 Santa Cruz Mountains Estate

Merlot (\$14.00 to \$19.99): Hunter Hill Vineyard & Winery 2002 Estate
Santa Cruz Mountains

Cabernet Sauvignon (\$20.00 to \$29.99)

Byington Vineyards & Winery 2002 Alliage

Cabernet Sauvignon (\$30.00+)

Hallcrest Vineyards 2001 Santa Cruz Mts

Kathryn Kennedy Winery 2002 Small Lot

Bordeaux Blends (\$14.00 to \$19.99): Cinnabar Vineyards 2002 Mercury Rising

Bordeaux Blends (\$20.00 to \$29.99):

Silver Mountain Vineyards 2000 Alloy Santa Cruz Mts.

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Congratulations to all of our local wineries for their award-winning wines in the competition. The following wineries were also notably awarded Gold Medals:

Gold Best of Class:

Sangiovese: Bonny Doon Vineyard 2004

Double Gold:

Pinot Noir (\$30.00+): Silver Mountain Vineyards, 2003 Santa Lucia Highlands, Tondre Grapefield

Gold:

Pinot Noir (\$30.00+):

Savannah Chanelle Vineyards 2003 Russian River Valley Tina Marie

Silver Mountain Vineyards 2003 Russian River Amber Ridge

Zinfandel (\$20.00 to \$29.99): Storrs Winery 2003 Rusty Ridge

Viognier: Picchetti Winery 2004 San Benito County

Please note: This may not be a complete list. It is meant to recognize the wines made from Santa Cruz Mountain appellation fruit. We apologize if we've missed anyone. If there is anything missing or incorrect, please [send a message \(link\)](#). These results were compiled from the official website for the San Francisco Wine Competition at <http://www.winejudging.com>.

For a complete list of the wineries of the Santa Cruz Mountains, go to <http://www.scmwa.com/wineries.htm> .

