



## 1. Rules:

- a. Eligibility: Any wine bottled in the United States.
- b. A copy of the completed entry form with the fees must be received at the Cloverdale Citrus Fairgrounds by November 22, 2006. (Please keep a copy of the completed entry form for your records.)
- c. All wines must be received at the Cloverdale Citrus Fairgrounds by December 15, 2006.
- d. No refunds for canceled entries for sending the wrong wine.
- e. Any wine remaining at the conclusion of the event may be used at events or educational classes hosted by winejudging.com or the producers of the event and the Santa Rosa Junior College.
- f. All gold medal winning winery brands are required to pour or send one case of the gold winning wine to be poured at the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition Tasting at the Fort Mason Center in San Francisco, CA on February 24, 2007 from 1:00-5:00 p.m. (see 6i).

## 2. Entry Instructions:

- a. **FORMS AND FEES:** There is a **\$25 per brand fee plus a \$55 per wine entry fee. By November 22, 2006**, send a completed copy of the enclosed form with your check to:  
**San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition**  
**Attn: Bob Fraser, Executive Director**  
**Cloverdale Citrus Fair**  
**1 Citrus Fair Drive**  
**Cloverdale, CA 95425**  
(please make check payable to: "**Cloverdale Citrus Fair**")
- b. **WINES:** Send six 750ml bottles per wine entry and a copy of the entry form by December 15, 2006. Send wine to the same address as above.
  - If the entry is smaller than 750ml, then 9 bottles shall be required.
  - If the entry is larger than 750ml, then 4 bottles or boxes shall be required.

## 3. Entry Qualifications:

- a. There is no limit to the number of entries per winery.
- b. There is no limit to the number of vintages of the same variety a winery may enter.
- c. A minimum of fifty 12 bottle cases of each wine entered must be available for sale to the public, either at the winery or through distribution channels, during the 2007 year.

## 4. Shipping Instructions:

- a. Wines may be legally shipped anywhere within the United States to a professional wine competition.
- b. Label all boxes with winery brand name as entered.
- c. For shipments of more than one box, indicate that the box is "Box 1 of 4", "Box 2 of 4", etc.

## 5. Judging of Wines:

- a. The judging panels will consist of five members representing trade, education, media, retail and restaurants.
- b. The competition reserves the right to re-classify wine entries if it is entered in the incorrect class; or by re-classifying the wine with proper vintage/appellation/etc.
- c. Additional bottles will be judged if a bottle is deemed by the panel as seriously flawed.
- d. Wineries will be notified of their awards by mail within one week of the conclusion of the judging.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Entry Forms/Fees Due: 11/22/06

Wine: 12/15/06

Results Publication Date: 2/16/07

Public Tasting: 2/24/07

Info: (707) 894-3992 [www.winejudging.com](http://www.winejudging.com)

Fax: (707) 894-9553 Email: [citrus@sonic.net](mailto:citrus@sonic.net)

## 6. Public Tasting Information:

- a. All gold medal winning winery brands are required to pour or send one case of the gold winning wine to be poured at the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition Tasting at the Fort Mason Center in San Francisco, CA on February 24, 2007 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.
- b. All sparkling, red, white, and dessert sweepstakes winners must ship in advance and supply one case of wine for the tasting for the Smart & Final Culinary Show and VIP tasting. The sweepstake wines will have advance publicity in the Chronicle Special Tasting Section and will be a major part of these wine and food shows.
- c. Wineries are required to pay a \$50 table fee for pouring award winning wines. A full table will be supplied.
- d. All gold and sweepstake winners will be recognized in the San Francisco Chronicle special section on Friday, February 16, 2007 publicizing the public tasting.
- e. The San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition Tasting is at Fort Mason Center in San Francisco, February 24, 2007 from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Wineries are invited to pour any of their other wines as well. Transportation of wine to the tasting is the responsibility of the winery.
- f. Participating wineries shall pour wine for the duration of the public tasting. Please drop off one bottle of each gold medal wine for media tasting at winery check-in table. Bring your own containers for cooling wines. Some ice will be provided.
- g. Award plaques will be distributed at the public tasting at Fort Mason in San Francisco.
- h. Retail price per bottle reported in all post judging publicity will be the price as listed on the entry form.
- i. Wineries unable to pour at public tasting, must send one case of gold medal wine to Groskopf Warehouse, 20580 8th Street, Sonoma, CA 95476-9590, phone: (707) 939-3100

## 7. Awards and Publicity

- a. Schott Zwiesel Plaque for Sparkling, White, Red, and Dessert. Sweepstakes awards and combined Silver, Gold, and Double Gold awards.
- b. American Ag Credit Plaque for Sweepstake Red, White, Sparkling, and Dessert Winning Winemakers.
- c. San Francisco Chronicle Special Section publication of Gold, Double Gold, and Sweepstake awards.
- d. Winejudging.com posting of all award winners, Bronze through Sweepstakes and Best of Class on [sfgate.com](http://sfgate.com)

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