

Point Scores - November/December 2009

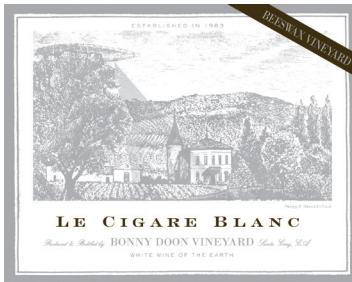
**Bonny Doon Vineyard
2007 Le Cigare Blanc**

Beeswax Vineyard Arroyo Seco

90

(\$22; 64% roussanne and 36% grenache blanc;
14.5% alcohol)

Light yellow. Peach, pear and honey aromas, with notes of green almond and dried flowers. Pliant and fleshy, offering fresh orchard and pit fruit flavors and a subtle undercurrent of smoky minerals. A dry, focused wine that will be extremely flexible at the table; the finish leaves mineral and pit fruit notes behind. I like this wine's blend of richness and energy.



**Bonny Doon Vineyard
2005 Le Cigare Volant**

California

90

(\$32; 50% grenache, 24% mourvedre, 22% syrah,
3% carignane and 1% cinsault; 13.5% alcohol)

Full red. Deep, smoky aromas of raspberry, cherry, tobacco, underbrush and mocha. Sweet and silky, offering open-knit red fruit flavors complicated by suave baking spices and vanilla bean. Finishes with lingering red fruits and spices.

