

Our editors name their top wines of 2009.

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Bonny Doon 2006 Le Pousseur Syrah (Central Coast); \$20. This bottling, which is Randall Grahm's hommage to the Northern Rhône, has varied over the vintages, but with this 2006, hits the mark as never before. Made with a splash of Grenache, it's full-bodied, bone dry and compelling in the intricacy of flavors. The blackberries, black cherries, licorice, and raspberries have elements of roasted meats and wild mushrooms sautéed in butter, tamari and a few drops of balsamic, liberally dusted with black pepper. Unique and compelling, and should develop over the next six years. Editors' Choice.