

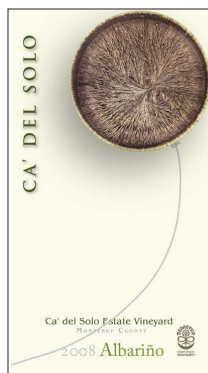
Point Scores - August 2009

2008 Ca' del Solo Estate Vineyard Albariño \$20 **91**

(Monterey County)

Country: Central Coast, US

Few winemakers in California understand acidity better than Randall Grahm, and he provides plenty of it in this brilliantly clean, bone-dry wine. It cleanses the mouth with scoury flavors of lychee, lime, nectarine, minerals and peppery nasturtium, with a foresty, resinous quality suggesting pine cone. - S.H. (7/31/2009)

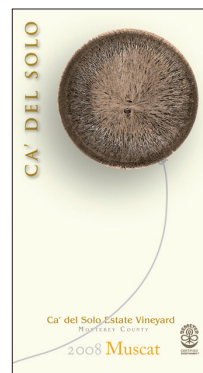


2008 Ca' del Solo Estate Vineyard Muscat \$18 **90**

(Monterey County)

Country: Central Coast, US

A terrific wine whose slight residual sugar of 0.8% is balanced by crisp Monterey acidity that's so firm, the wine finishes dry. Teases the palate with tangerines, Mandarin orange blossom, bosc pears, honeysuckle and vanilla, undergirded by a stony minerality. - S.H. (7/31/2009)

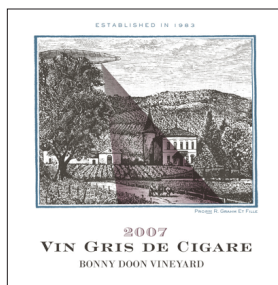


2007 Vin Gris de Cigare \$14 **89**

Rosé Blend
(California)

Country: California Other, US

Very Provence-like, a dry, crisp and spicy blush that's complex enough to accompany sophisticated Vietnamese or Mediterranean fare. A blend of Grenache, Cinsault, Syrah and other southern French varieties, it shows a rich, tobacco earthiness to the cherry flavors. - S.H. (10/31/2008)



2007 Ca' del Solo Estate Vineyard Albariño \$20 **89**

(Monterey County)

Country: Central Coast, US

A brilliant white wine, very tart in acidity, with mineral flavors that make your mouth water. The flavors veer toward bright, tart citrus fruits, with suggestions of Chinese five-spice. The grapes were biodynamically farmed, which may partially be why the wine is so pure. - S.H. (8/31/2008)

