

Dan Berger's Vintage Experiences

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Wine of the Week

2014 **Bonny Doon** "Gravitas," California (\$15): One of the finest "concept" wines I have ever tasted, it's intended to be White Bordeaux in disguise—circa 1980! It is 54% Semillon with SB for depth and a trace of Orange Muscat. If you understand and love old-style white Graves, you will like this wine. The only thing Randall Grahm didn't say on his superb back label is that this wine probably will be best with 5 to 10 more years in the cellar!

Tasting Notes

The wines below were tasted open over the last seven days.



Exceptional

2013 **Bonny Doon** "A Proper Claret," Callifornia (\$18): An honest Cabernet aroma with small bits of other grapes to hold it all together. This is a superb red wine for those who recall Cabernet in the 1980s, as the hilarious back label says. This is Randall Grahm making a political statement at his best!



Very Highly Recommended

2013 **Bonny Doon** Le Cigare Blanc, Arroyo Seco (\$24): A Rousanne-Grenache Blanc-Picpoul blend that has the generosity of the primary grape, the minerality of the second, and the earthiness of the third, and a texture of Chardonnay.