



'It's very enriching to interact with judges from different parts of the world. There is no better event – it's so well organised there is very little for judges to do other than taste and score the wines.'
Ignatius Chan (judging Middle East, Far East and Asia, p221)

Switzerland 2006 ▲

Late harvest but expressive. Nice, elegant, bitter pepper and mineral edge.
 Ex-cellar: CHF24.90

Ptujska Klet, Sauvignon, Pullus, Stajersva Slovenisa, Podravje, Slovenia 2007 ▼

Steely with fruit on the nose. Good crisp acidity. Balanced.
 Ex-cellar: €4.30

Ptujska Klet, Cuvée Pullues, Stajersva Slovenisa, Podravje, Slovenia 2005 ▲

Expressive, creamy pineapple and spice notes. Textured and full. Complex and steely.
 Ex-cellar: €4.30

Scurek VINO, Stara Brajda Old Vineyard White, Brda/Medana, Primorje, Slovenia 2006 ▲

Honey, floral notes. Developed palate. Elegant, fresh and long.
 Ex-cellar: €12

Sonberk, Ryzlink Rynsky, Pozdri sber, Mikulovska, Moravia, Czech Republic 2007 ▼

Rich peach, spice and acacia aromas. Full and intense. Good acid balance. Long finish.
 Ex-cellar: €11.50

Stirbey, Prince Stirbey, Sauvignon Blanc, Vitis Vetus, Valachia, Romania 2006 ▲

Fruity, leafy Sauvignon character. Some acidity too.
 UK: £12.50; IVt

Telavi Wine Cellar, Marani, Tsinandali, Kakheti, Georgia 2007 ▼

Young apple blossom aromas. Fresh acidity, mineral and pear hints. Not complex but bright.

Terra Tangra, Traminer, Sakar, Southern Region, Bulgaria 2007 ▼

Pronounced nose of roses and Turkish delight; juicy. Dry palate. Slightly bitter.

Tornai Pincészet, Top Séléction Aranyhegy Furmint, Somló, Transdanubia, Hungary 2006 ▲

Restrained mineral, cream and baked apple notes. Still young. Off-dry. Some grip on finish.
 Ex-cellar: €12

Vina Joannes, Renski Rizling, Podravje, Slovenia 2005 ▲

Petrolly, steely aromas. Crisp, dry and austere but good character and development.
 Ex-cellar: €7

Vino Mikulov, Rulandské Sedé, Vinarství Pavlov, Mikulovska, Moravia, Czech Republic 2007 ▼

Rich pear and cinnamon nose. Slightly sweet. Good apricot weight, intensity and acidity.
 Ex-cellar: €7.60

Vino Mikulov, Chardonnay Vinarství Pavlov, Velkopavlovicka, Moravia, Czech Republic 2007 ▼

Complex, creamy pineapple. Rich fruit. Rounded and quite powerful. Off-dry. Long length.
 Ex-cellar: €7.60

Vinska klet Goriska Brda, Quercus Beli Pinot, Goriska Brda, Primorje, Slovenia 2007 ▼

Elegant, mineral, blossom and peppery oregano notes. Good power and varietal expression.
 UK: £6; BWC, LVT

WOW Winery, Pinot Grigio, Subotica-Horgos, Serbia & Montenegro 2006 ▲

Wheat, ripe apple, and pepper nose. Characterful palate. Smooth, fresh but a bit short.

BRONZE (ROSE)

Guerila, Rosé, Vipava Valley, Primorje, Slovenia 2007 ▼

Leafy, vivid redcurrant fruit. Good acidity and structure. Generous with decent length.
 Ex-cellar: €5.10
 US: \$15; USTRW

Telavi Wine Cellar, Marani Rosé, Kakheti, Georgia 2007 ▼

Red fruit nose, a touch closed. Fresh, bright acids. Simple berry fruit. Well handled.

BRONZE (RED)

Chandrebi, Orovela, Kakheti, Georgia 2004 ▲

Creamy, spicy, ripe. Makes a statement at a new level of quality. Deserves recognition.
 UK: £16.99; Wai

Damianitza, Uniquato Rubin, Trakiiska Nizina, Bulgaria 2006 ▼

Tar, plum spice nose. Liqueuric tones. Big tannins. Moderate acidity. Finish rather short.
 Ex-cellar: €4.50

Heumann, Villanyi Cuvée, Villány, Transdanubia, Hungary 2005 ▼

Firm, ripe and aromatic. Fresh, juicy and classic. Nice finish.

Jozsef Bock, Bock Syrah, Villany, Transdanubia, Hungary 2005 ▲

Pure, black pepper, elegant clean nose. Supple. Elegant.
 Ex-cellar: €18

Katarzyna Estate, Contemplations – Triple Red, Thracian Valley, Southern Region, Bulgaria 2006 ▲

Damson, spice and some toasty oak. Ripe forest fruit. Medium weight and length.
 Ex-cellar: €6

Katarzyna Estate, First Vintage, Thracian Valley, Southern Region, Bulgaria 2006 ▲

Nose is developed. Elegant, simple, some ripeness and fresh. Decent length.
 Ex-cellar: €8

Pannonhalmi Borház, Apatsagi Pinot Noir, Pannonhalma-Sokoróalja, Transdanubia, Hungary 2006 ▼

Spicy strawberry, tea and sappy wood smoke notes. Real Pinot character. Not extracted.
 UK: £9.75; Mlx

Provins Valais, Clos Corbassières Vin de Domaine, Valais, Switzerland 2004 ▲

Rubber, petrol nose. Good juice, ripe. Cool climate. Decent tannins.
 Ex-cellar: CHF49

San Tomas, Antonius, Primorje, Slovenia 2004 ▲

Heavy-duty extraction. Lots of oak tannins and berry fruits.
 UK: £22.50; Lvt

Simic Marjan, Pinot Noir Reserve, Goriska Brda, Primorje, Slovenia 2005 ▲

Fine bramble, strawberry and vanilla. Smoky tones. Medium tannins. Still young and grippy.
 UK: £22.50; HBA

Simic Marjan, Teodor Red Reserve, Goriska Brda, Primorje, Slovenia 2003 ▲

Complex coffee, black fruit, violets and vanilla. Textured, full tannins. Chocolatey grip.
 UK: £24.10; HBA

Tbilvino, Mukuzani Saperavi, Mukuzani, Kakheti, Georgia 2005 ▼

Super-ripe fruit nose. Well-integrated palate. Tannins dry, but pleasing.

Telavi Wine Cellar, Marani Saperavi, Kakheti, Georgia 2006 ▼

Spicy, intense, jammy nose. Thyme flavour. Fruit slightly bitter. Commercial style.

Telavi Wine Cellar, Satrapezo Saperavi, Mukuzani, Kakheti, Georgia 2004 ▲

Oaky tobacco tones. Sweet, ripe, cherry fruit. Grainy tannins. Quite supple.
 UK: £11.20; Evi

Teliani Valley, Kindzmarauli, Kakheti, Georgia 2004 ▼

Rustic, cherry bubblegum fruit. Sweetish, medium weight. Not a bad effort for style.
 UK: £6; Gmj

Terra Tangra, Roto, Exclusive Séléction, South Sakar, Southern Region, Bulgaria 2006 ▲

Cherry, cassis, spice and