

QUADY ★ NORTH

Quady North Syrah *Flagship* judged "Best Red" at 2009 Northwest Wine Summit

Applegate Valley, Oregon, May 30, 2009

Herb Quady, Applegate Valley winemaker for Troon Vineyards and Quady North earned 4 gold medals and an award for **best red wine produced in the Pacific Northwest** at the 2009 Northwest Wine Summit judging. 3 Troon wines were awarded golds and in addition Quady North's 2006 Syrah *Flagship* received recognition as **best red wine**.

Best Red Wine award validates the quality potential for this as yet "under the radar" wine growing area.

Oregon is known for Pinot Noirs from Northern Oregon. Now Southern Oregon can claim great wine, the best red in the Pacific Northwest: a Syrah, from the Applegate Valley.

Herb's background includes the enology program at Fresno State University, Associate Winemaker for Bonny Doon Vineyards, and Assistant Winemaker for Quady Winery in Madera California. He relocated to the Applegate valley, Southern Oregon in 2003 and has been at Troon Vineyards since 2004. His interest in the effect of climate and site on wine quality led him to accept a job offer in the little known Applegate Valley wine growing area after looking at data showing heat summations there being similar to those of the Napa Valley floor between Oakville and St. Helena and to the Yakima and Columbia river valleys in Eastern Washington.

The judges at the prestigious northwest wine summit awarded only 10 gold medals for Syrahs: 5 for wines from the Yakima and Columbia Valleys, 2 from the Walla Walla Valley, 1 each from the Rogue and Snake River Valley, and 1 from the Applegate Valley. Of 143 gold medals, 7 were for Southern Oregon Wines.

Of the 7 Southern Oregon Wines awarded gold medals, 4 were made by Herb Quady

2006 was Quady North Winery's first vintage. 607 cases of Viognier, Syrah, and Cabernet Franc were bottled. So far two Viogniers, a Cabernet Franc, and one Syrah (4-2-a) awarded 90 points by Wine Spectator, have been released. The 2006 *Flagship* Syrah was bottled in 2008 and is set for release in July 2009. 50 cases were produced. It may be purchased as futures (\$45.00) from the Quady North website. The balance not sold as futures will be available on a first come basis at \$60.00.

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