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Gray Ghost Sweeps California Wine Competition for Fourth Year!

Gray Ghost Winery swept the San Francisco Chronicle wine competition for the fourth consecutive year, beginning the 2009 competition season as successful as 2008! In a competition dominated by California wine entries, Gray Ghost won on both wines entered! The 2007 Reserve Chardonnay and 2007 Adieu both took Bronze. The San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition is the largest competition of American wines in the world. Founded in 1983, this year's competition garnered over 4,000 entries from 1500 wineries across the country.

Gray Ghost also medaled for the 10th consecutive year in California's Grand Harvest Awards. The Reserve Chardonnay and Ranger Reserve both took Bronze medals in categories containing stiff California competition with over 1600 entries. Medals are only awarded at the Grand Harvest with unanimous judge agreement. According to press material, "The Grand Harvest Awards has been, and continues to be, to identify the finest examples from each viticultural region."

Gray Ghost's Reserve Chardonnay and Adieu were the only Virginia wines awarded at the Florida State Fair International Wine Competition held in February. Virginia's Annual Governor's Cup Wine Competition awarded these two wines bronze medals as well.

"We use competitions to compare our wines against other top producers around the world. To have medaled in the first four competitions of the year speaks to our commitment to producing world class wines," said Al Kellert, owner and winemaker at Gray Ghost.

Gray Ghost Winery is located at 14706 Lee Highway in Amissville and can be contacted at 540-937-4869. The tasting room is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm.

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