

## Wines of Andrew Will

Andrew Will, located on pastoral Vashon Island, was founded in 1989 by former sommelier Chris Camarda. His focus is on blended, Bordeaux-style wines from some of Washington's finest vineyards. The wines are made identically, the differences among them reflective of that vineyard's terroir. He also produces a Syrah named in honor of his late wife. Chris Camarda's efforts with Syrah deserve serious attention. The Annie Camarda Syrah is a blend of fruit from the Champoux and Ciel du Cheval Vineyards, two of eastern Washington's finest.

### **2003 Andrew Will Cellars Sorella – 93 Points Parker**

In honor of his departed wife, Camarda has changed the label of the floral, dark berry-scented 2003 Sorella; it is now adorned with a painting of Annie. An assemblage of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot, 17% Cabernet Franc, and 10% Petit Verdot, it is a structured, medium-bodied wine with outstanding concentration, freshness, focus, and length. Notes of toasty oak intermingled with red cherries, blackberries, elderberries, cassis, and currants are found in its expressive flavor profile. Anticipated maturity: 2010-2022.

### **2004 Andrew Will Cellars Sorella – 92 Points Parker**

The 2004 Sorella is sourced from the Champoux Vineyard and is a blend of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Franc, and 6% Petit Verdot. It was aged for 21 months in 70% new French oak. Dark ruby-colored, it presents a fragrant perfume of pain grille, scorched earth, sweet spices, clove, mint, cassis, and black currants. This leads to a medium-bodied, velvety-textured, seamless, full-flavored wine with excellent balance and enough structure to evolve for 3-5 years. It should provide pleasure through 2027.

### **2004 Andrew Will Cellars Sheridan Vineyard – 89 Points Parker**

The 2004 Sheridan Vineyard is composed of 43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Petit Verdot. It was aged for 21 months in 35% new French oak. Dark ruby-colored, the aromatics are muted. With coaxing, pain grille, spice box, cassis, clove, and red currants emerge. On the palate it exhibits sweet fruit, spicy flavors, and ripe tannin but lacks breadth. While it might fill out with further bottle age, I would opt for drinking it now and over the next 10 years.

### **2002 Andrew Will Cellars Seven Hills Vineyard – 90 Points Parker**

Loads of spices, dark berries, and notes of plums can be detected in the fabulous aromatics of the 2002 Seven Hills Vineyard. A blend of 62% Merlot and 38% Cabernet Sauvignon, its flavor profile offers loads of highly expressive black fruits dusted with cinnamon. Medium-bodied and fresh, its finish remains firmly tannic. Anticipated maturity: 2007-2018.

### **2005 Andrew Will Cellars Ciel du Cheval Vineyard – 93 Points Parker**

The 2005 Ciel du Cheval is composed of 40% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Franc, 14% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 6% Petit Verdot. It offers up darker black fruit aromas and flavors with significantly more structure, grip, and power. It exhibits layers of spicy black fruits which should become increasingly opulent and glossy as it develops in the bottle. Give it a minimum of 5-7 years in the cellar and drink it through 2030.

### **2005 Andrew Will Cellars Two Blondes Vineyard – 92 Points Parker**

The 2005 Two Blondes, located a stone's throw from the Sheridan Vineyard, is a blend of 36% Cabernet Franc, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 29% Merlot. Its personality is remarkably similar to its sister vineyard with expressive red and black fruit aromas, spice box, and smooth-textured, sweet fruit. It is a lengthy, elegant effort for drinking from 2012 to 2025.

## **2004 Merlot**

This medium bodied Merlot blend proffers aromas of ripe cherries and is followed by a rich and plush mouthful of juicy blackberries and plums. This wine has a longish soft finish and is made up of juice from the Ciel du Cheval, Champoux, and Sheridan vineyards.

Enjoy this wine now and for the next 4 years

## **2004 Sangiovese**

Sangiovese is a medium bodied wine with deep color and fruit flavors heightened by herbal accents. Our wine fits this description. The grapes are from Ciel du Cheval vineyard. The wine is made with almost no noxious oak flavors to hinder the delicate aspects of sangiovese. This is a wine, which is bold and at the same time suave. The 2004 vintage is coming into focus as a vintage of balance and bearing