



## Wines selected for the Wine and Grape Symposium

**The Union staff**  
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As we were putting this blind tasting together there was much discussion about whether the grapes needed to be grown in Nevada County in order to qualify or whether the wine just had to be produced from a Nevada County winery, independent of where the grapes were from.

Ultimately we decided that the wine had to be produced in Nevada County but that the grapes could be from outside the county. As it turned out the four wines selected were all produced from grapes grown exclusively in Nevada County.

Remember it was a double blind tasting. None of the judges knew who made the wines or even what varietals were poured.

- Double Oak Winery & Vineyard

2004 Chardonnay, \$12

Yellow-gold color with citrus and tropical flavors. Light-bodied, fresh and crisp with no discernable oak. Produced from estate grown fruit.

- Nevada City Winery

2004 Chardonnay, \$15.50

Pale yellow in color with lemon and tropical aromas, creamy mouthfeel, nice acidity, and good balance between fruit flavors and oak. Produced from grapes grown at both Indian Springs Vineyards and Jewett Vineyard.

- Burch Hall Winery

2004 Syrah, \$19

Ruby-purple color with complex aromas of black raspberries and leather. New French oak adds a layer of spice balanced with moderate tannins. Produced from grapes grown in Naggiar Vineyards.

- 8 Naggiar Vineyards and Winery

2004 Cabernet Franc, \$23

Dark purple in color, a densely packed wine with fruit flavors of cherry, blueberry, spice and tobacco with a firm tannic finish. Produced from estate grown fruit.

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