

2009 West Viognier



- 100% Viognier
- Harvested September 22, 2009
- 85% fermented in stainless steel
- 15% fermented in neutral oak barrels
- Bottled March 29, 2010
- Alc. 13.5%, pH 3.5 TA .68

2009 West Viognier is made in a dry style to show the natural flavors of the grape. Viognier is an aromatic grape from the Rhone valley. The aroma is very flowery, exotic and can give the impression of a sweet wine, but it is indeed completely dry. West Viognier shows classic Viognier flavors such as guava and mango with a hint of tangerine. These flavors continue on the palate along with some tropical fruit, citrus and a hint of pineapple. The wine is full in the mouth, rich with a lingering aftertaste and long finish. A sensual, aromatic, yet crisp wine.

West Wines is a family owned winery in Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County. Our winemaking style is inspired by French winemaking and we have been exporting wine to Europe since 2004. We believe in responsible agricultural practices such as minimizing the use of energy and water and using solar power. We use cover crops between our vine rows to create nutrition for the plants but also flowers who serve as a habitat for beneficial insects for pest control.

Phyllis Zouzounis is **winemaker** at West Wines together with owner Katarina Bonde. Phyllis began her winemaking career at Dry Creek Vineyards in 1980 and has been the winemaker at many prestigious wineries in Sonoma County.