



As seen in the July 2010 Edition

96 pts, *Editor's Choice* – 2008 Bien Nacido Vineyard Chardonnay, Santa Barbara County

“What a roll Fess Parker Winery is on with their '08 Chardonnays. Not only great wine, but priced so well. This wine, sourced from Parker's U Block in this famous Santa Maria Valley vineyard, is as rich as any Chardonnay of the vintage – just massive in pineapple, pear and buttered toast flavors. Yet it's crisp and tart, clean and bracing in its minerality. Only 115 cases produced.” S.H.

95 pts, *Editor's Choice* – 2008 Ashley's Chardonnay, Sta. Rita Hills

“Don't drink this beauty too cold with your lobster, crab or scallops. It has the weight of a noble wine, with minerality and creaminess giving shape and texture to the leesy, yeasty flavors of pineapples, Key lime pie and ripe pear puree. Aged in 40% new French oak, California Chardonnay hardly gets any better than this.” S.H.

93 pts, *Editor's Choice* – 2008 Santa Barbara County Chardonnay

“Run, don't walk to buy up cases of this beautiful, well-priced Chardonnay. It's rich and sumptuous in vanilla oak and lees-inspired flavors of pineapples, pears and lime tart. Easy to find, with production of 17, 496 cases.” S.H.