



KINGSTON
FAMILY
VINEYARDS
CASABLANCA CHILE

Press Highlights

Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate

- **90 points**, 2008 Alazan Pinot Noir: "...it elegantly displays spicy dark fruits, good balance, and a pure finish." *December 2010*
- **91 points**, 2008 Lucero Syrah: "Medium purple; pepper, cinnamon, smoked meat, blueberry, some elegance and complexity." *November 2010*
- **90 points**, 2008 Cariblanco Sauvignon Blanc: "Light straw color; baking spices, lemon-lime; lively acidity, crisp, balanced." *November 2010*

Wine Spectator

- **90 points**, 2009 Lucero Syrah: "Dark but lively, with blackberry and melted licorice notes...The juicy finish offsets the toast nicely." *June 2011*
- **90 points**, 2008 Alazan CJ's Barrel Pinot Noir: "Ripe and well-layered...Judicious toast lets the finish linger nicely." *Web Only - 2010*
- **90 points**, 2008 Bayo Oscuro Syrah: "Quite ripe, but very fresh, featuring delicious crushed fruit." *Oct 2010*
- **90 points**, 2008 Lucero Syrah: "Very fresh, youthful. Bright fruit leading the way, followed by stylish notes of white pepper and iron." *May 2010*
- **91 points**, 2007 Bayo Oscuro Syrah. "Mouthfilling. Delicious." *October 2009*
- The Kingstons are **"PROVING PINOT NOIR CAN THRIVE IN CHILE."** *May 2009*
- **90 points**, 2007 Lucero Syrah: "Rich, but light on its feet." *May 2009*
- **"NEW FACES SUCH AS KINGSTON FAMILY ARE...BRINGING EXCITEMENT TO CHILE."** *July 2006*

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

- **92 points**, 2009 Alazan CJ's Barrel Pinot Noir. "...Supple, suave and fine-grained; exhibiting a distinct elegance ..." *May 2011*
- **91 points**, 2009 Alazan Pinot Noir. "...Densely packed, but lively red and dark berry flavors provide excellent palate coverage..." *May 2011*
- **91 points**, 2008 Bayo Oscuro CJ's Barrel Syrah. "...Juicy, precise and energetic, with sappy flavors of dark berries & candied violet..." *May 2011*
- **90 points**, 2009 Cariblanco Sauvignon Blanc. "...juicy and complex, ...silky, pliant texture..." *May 2011*
- **90 points**, 2009 Tobiano Pinot Noir. "...Sweet, lush and nicely concentrated, exuding round, seamless flavors..." *May 2011*
- **90 points**, 2008 Bayo Oscuro Syrah. "...Tangy and energetic for syrah, offering bright red fruit flavors that pick up weight with air..." *May 2011*
- **90 points**, 2007 Bayo Oscuro Syrah. "...Sweet red berry..., along with notes of candied flowers and smoked meat..." *March 2010*
- **91 points**, 2006 Bayo Oscuro Syrah. "Pinot-like in its precision...I'd love to taste this alongside some high-end California syrahs." *March 2009*
- 2007 Lucero Syrah. "This is **A SUPERB BARGAIN THAT BEHAVES LIKE A CALIFORNIA SYRAH COSTING AT LEAST TWICE AS MUCH.**" *March 2009*

Wine & Spirits

- **90 points**, 2009 Lucero Syrah. "...a prime example of cool-climate syrah." *June 2011*
- **93 points**, 2008 Kingston Family Vineyards Bayo Oscuro Syrah. "...a graceful red..." *February 2011*
- Kingston Family Vineyards selected as a **VALUE BRAND OF THE YEAR.** *June 2010*
- **90 points**, 2008 Cariblanco Sauvignon Blanc: "...furiously herbal and citrusy sauvignon. The texture is surprisingly lush." *February 2010*
- Kingston Family Vineyards is **"ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT GROWERS IN CASABLANCA...their Bayo Oscuro is ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SYRAHS EVER MADE IN CHILE."** *February 2008*
- **92 points**, 2007 Lucero Syrah. *June 2009*
- **92 points**, 2006 Bayo Oscuro Syrah: "The cherry and violet scent of this far-coast syrah make a strong first impression." *October 2008*



Wine Enthusiast

- **90 points**, 2008 Alazan CJ's Barrel Pinot Noir. "Big, dark and brash...Only gets better as it opens and airs." *December 2010*
- **91 points**, 2008 Alazan Pinot Noir: "Kingston's top-level Pinot Noir has been **A CONSISTENT SCORER FOR THE PAST THREE VINTAGES...ONE OF CHILE'S TRUEST, MOST RECOGNIZABLE PINOT NOIRS.**" *March 2010*
- **90 points**, 2007 Alazan Pinot Noir. *May 2009*
- **"SOMMELIERS' NEW CHILEAN FAVORITE."** *November 2005*

Food & Wine

- "Kingston Family Vineyards produces **SOME OF CHILE'S BEST PINOTS.**" *November 2007*
- 2004 Bayo Oscuro Syrah: "Excellent. Top-notch of its type." *November 2008*

Bon Appétit

- 2007 Cariblanco Sauvignon Blanc: one of **"OUR FAVORITE SAUVIGNON BLANCS."** *August 2008*

San Francisco Chronicle

- **"CHILE'S PINOT PROSPECTORS"** profiles Kingston Family in a 3-page feature story. "[Kingston Family] is one of several key vineyards in Chile where experienced California viticulturalists and winemakers are making that country's first world-class Pinot Noirs and teaching young Chilean winemakers to do it themselves." *August 2007*