

The Wine Advocate Tasting Notes

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2011 Calera Viognier Central Coast

RATING:	90 points
PRODUCER:	Calera
FROM:	Central Coast, California, USA
VARIETY:	Viognier
DRINK:	2012-2016
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The 2011 Viognier (Central Coast) jumps from the glass with exotic white flowers, spices, gingerbread, lychee and mango.
There is no shortage of varietal character in this bright, crystalline white. Clean, vibrant layers of minerality give the wine its inner tension and weightless, crystalline finish. *— Antonio Galloni*

Aline The star points 2011 VIOGNIER CENTRAL COAST Calera's 2011 Central Coast Viognier is made from grapes grown by the following vineyards in California's Central Coast Viticultural Area: Gimelli Vineyard San Benito County 81% Chalone Vineyard Monterey County 19% After hand harvesting, the whole grape clusters were pressed and the juice was moved by gravity to Calera's barrel cellar. Fermentation in barrels by native yeasts was followed by complete malolactic fermentation. The wine was aged without racking in neutral French oak barrels for seven months.