APPEARANCE

3 - Excellent - Brilliant with outstanding characteristic color.

2 - Good - Clear with characteristic color.1 - Poor - Slight haze and/or slight off color.

0 - Objectionable - Cloudy and/or off color.

AROMA AND BOUQUET

6 - Extraordinary - Unmistakable characteristic aroma of grape-variety or winetype. Outstanding and complex bouquet. Exceptional balance of aroma and bouquet.

5 - Excellent - Characteristic aroma. Complex bouquet. Well balanced.

4 - Good - Characteristic aroma. Distinguishable bouquet.

3 - Acceptable - Slight aroma and bouquet. Pleasant.

2 - Deficient - No perceptible aroma or bouquet or with slight off odors.

1 - Poor - Off odors.

0 - Objectionable - Objectionable or offensive odors.

TASTE AND TEXTURE

6 - Extraordinary - Unmistakable characteristic flavor of grape-variety or winetype. Extraordinary balance. Smooth, full-bodied and

overwhelming.

5 - Excellent - All of the above but a little less. Excellent but not

overwhelming.

4 - Good - Characteristic grape-variety or wine-type flavor. Good

balance. Smooth. May have minor imperfections.

3 - Acceptable - Undistinguished wine but pleasant. May have minor off flavors.

May be slightly out of balance, and/or somewhat thin or rough.

2 - Deficient - Undistinguished wine with more pronounced faults than above.

 $1 - Poor \\ \hspace*{0.5in} - Disagreeable \ flavors, \ poorly \ balanced, \ and/or \ unpleasant \\$

texture.

 $\boldsymbol{0}$ - Objectionable $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Objectionable or offensive flavors and/or texture.

<u>AFTERTASTE</u>

3 - Excellent - Lingering outstanding aftertaste.

2 - Good - Pleasant aftertaste.

1 - Poor - Little or no distinguishable aftertaste.

0 - Objectionable - Unpleasant aftertaste.

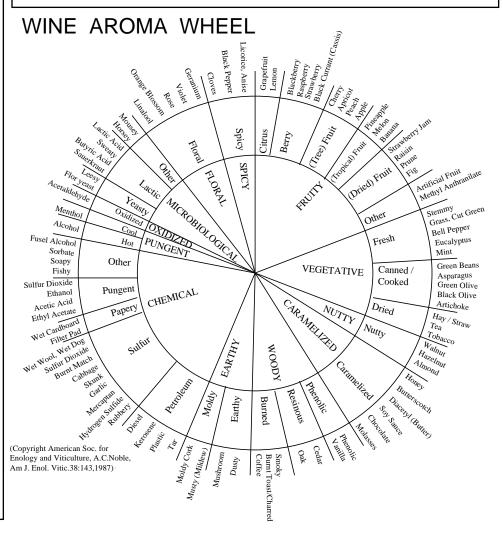
OVERALL IMPRESSION	TOTAL SCORES		
2 - Excellent	18 - 20	Extraordinary	
1 - Good	15 - 17	Excellent	
0 - Poor	12 - 14	Good	
	9 - 11	Commercially Acceptable	
	6 - 8	Deficient	
	0 - 5	Poor and Objectionable	

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	Wine	Price	Appearance 3 Max	Aroma / Bouquet 6 Max	Taste / Texture 6 Max	Aftertaste 3 Max	Overall Impression 2 Max	Total Score 20 Max
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