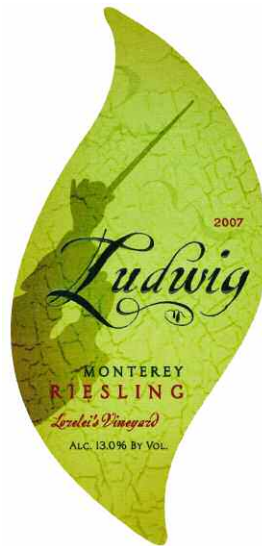


AS SEEN IN BEST OF YEAR 2009



TOP 100 BEST BUYS of 2009



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90 **Ludwig 2007 Lorelei's Vineyard Riesling (Monterey);**
\$13. It's always nice to come across a good California Riesling, because there are so few of them. This one's made from organic grapes grown in gravelly benchlands, and its cool-climate origins show in the brisk acidity that makes the yellow apricot, wildflower and slate flavors so clean. Production was a miserly 448 cases, and the alcohol level is a refreshingly low 13%.