



## TruthTeller Winery 2018 Satire Red Wine, Yakima Valley \$30

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Northwest Wine Academy graduate Chris Loeliger, a recent transplant to Walla Walla, angled toward Right Bank Bordeaux with this, his first career Platinum. The blend of Merlot (69%) Cabernet Franc (21%), Cabernet Sauvignon (5%) and Petit Verdot ranks among the most expressive wines of the three-day judging. Dark cherry, violets, a hint of mint and pipe tobacco lead to round flavors of huckleberry and plum. The oak and tannins make for a silky structure that finishes with raspberry jam and leather. "Everything is in the right place. I would like more of this, please!" requested one judge. Qualifying awards: Great Northwest Invitational (gold), Bellingham NW (gold)

**Rating:** Double Platinum • 97 points

**Production:** 136 cases

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

