

**Bedell Cellars****2006 Gallery - Artist Series  
(North Fork of Long Island)**

Last year, Bedell Cellars added a new premium white wine to its portfolio, named Gallery. I really enjoyed it and I actually just polished off my last bottle a few months ago. They didn't make much of it, so once my last bottle was no more, I wasn't able to get my hands on another bottle or two.

Luckily, Bedell has recently released the second edition of its flagship white with Bedell Cellars' 2006 Gallery (\$48). It is a blend of Chardonnay, Viognier and Sauvignon Blanc and the nose is expressive with super-ripe peach and apricots up front along with vanilla, faint toasted oak, baking spice and fresh flowers layered behind.

Extremely flavorful and well textured, it fills the mouth with spiced apricot and peach pie flavors, lemon zest, hints of mango, vanilla and sweet oak. There is terrific balancing acidity here that should give this some longevity, and a lingering, slightly mineral finish stands out.

Reviewed May 20, 2008 by [Lenn Thompson](#).

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**THE WINE**

**Winery:** [Bedell Cellars](#)

**Vintage:** 2006

**Wine:** Gallery - Artist Series

**Appellation:** [North Fork of Long Island](#)

**Grapes:** [Chardonnay](#) (52%), [Sauvignon Blanc](#),  
[Viognier](#)

**Price:** \$48.00

**THE REVIEWER****Lenn Thompson**

Lenn Thompson writes about New York wines for *Dan's Papers*, *Long Island Press*, *Long Island Wine Gazette*, *Edible East End* and [Hamptons.com](#). Two words describe his taste in wine — *balance* and *nuance*.

Lenn prefers food-friendly, elegant wines to jammy, over-extracted fruit bombs and heavy-handed oak. When reviewing, Lenn tastes each wine three times — alone right after opening, with food, and again the next day — believing that 90-second reviews are unrealistic and not how the average person enjoys wine.