



# RECANATI

*An Artisan Winery*

Wine Region: GALILEE, ISRAEL

Date Established: 2000

Winemaker: GIL SHATSBERG



### Diamond Series

**CABERNET SAUVIGNON:** Recanati's single most popular wine.

**CHARDONNAY:** A highly allocated wine fermented in French oak and aged *sur lie* for nine months. "Great Value" – *Robert Parker*, August 2008

**MERLOT:** "Best Value" – *Golden Cluster Competition 2009*

**SAUVIGNON BLANC:** From the Shomron Region, near the Mediterranean coast, largest grape growing area in the country.

**SYRAH:** 88 Points – *Wine Spectator* "Top Value", January/February 2009

### Reserve Wines

**CABERNET FRANC:** 88 Points – *Robert Parker*, February 2010

**CABERNET SAUVIGNON:** Aged in small American and French oak casks for 18 months. 89 Points – *Wine Enthusiast*, April 2010

**MERLOT:** From the choice Menara Vineyards in the Upper Galilee.  
*Gold Medal Golden Cluster Competition 2009*  
88 Points – *Wine Enthusiast*, April 2010

**PETITE SIRAH – ZINFANDEL:** 70% Petite Sirah and 30% Zinfandel.  
89 Points – *Robert Parker*, February 2010

**SPECIAL RESERVE:** 90 Points – *Robert Parker*, March 2010

**CHARDONNAY:** Complex and full-bodied with intense floral and tropical aromas and flavors intermingled with vanilla and a subtle toastiness.

### Yasmin Wines

**YASMIN RED (MEVUSHAL):** 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 20% Shiraz. "Best Buy" – *Wine Enthusiast*, April 2010

**YASMIN WHITE (MEVUSHAL):** 70% Sauvignon Blanc, 20% Emerald Riesling, 10% French Colombard. "Best Buy" – *Wine Enthusiast*, April 2010

The story of the Recanati winery begins with owner Lenny Recanati's profound bond with the land of Israel coupled with a passion for fine wine. Today the Recanati winery, which debuted in 2000, is Israel's sixth largest wine producer, with markets in the U.S., U.K., Germany, France, Italy and Japan.

Lenny Recanati is a successful international banker and financier and a member of one of Israel's most prominent families. Prior to making their home in Israel in the early 1900s, Recanati's ancestors had lived for centuries in Italy, one of the world's premier sources of fine wines. Consequently, Italy and the U.S. (where Recanati spent a portion of his student years) represent the winery's first two export markets.

Chief winemaker Gil Shatsberg, is a graduate of the U.C. Davis wine program. Formerly a winemaker at Israel's Amphorae and Carmel wineries, Gil brings to Recanati proven expertise in his field, allied to a devotion to artistry and craftsmanship in winemaking.

The Recanati winery in the Hefer Valley in the Upper Galilee sources grapes from some of the area's finest high-altitude vineyards, which enjoy a climate similar to that of California's Napa Valley. Warm days and cool nights, together with ideal chalky-gravelly soil conditions and limited rainfall, create an ideal environment in which to nurture classic grape varieties.

Recanati was recently named an "Israeli Wine to Watch" by *Wine Spectator*.

Recanati wines are Kosher for Passover.

The Yasmin wines are produced to meet "mevushal" standards, which are important considerations for both kosher caterers and restaurants.

