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White Wine**

**2007 Dr. L Riesling Qba, Germany - Regularly \$11.99**

Ernst Loosen's (pronounced loh-zen) family has been winemakers for over 200 years, but he was more fascinated with archaeology than grapes. In the mid-'80s, however, Ernst was faced with a decision. His father was ready to turn the estate over to the next generation and none of his brothers or sisters was old enough, or interested enough to take it on, so Ernst dutifully took over. He received a winemaking degree, and then traveled to Austria, to Burgundy and Alsace, even to California. He went wherever great wine was being made, seeking out the best winemakers to find out what they had in common. What he discovered was that they all share a dedication to producing intense, concentrated wines that boldly proclaim their heritage. The Loosen Estate is located in the Mosel (Mosel-Saar-Ruwer) wine region of Germany where the steep, slate-soil vineyards are famous for producing elegant, racy Riesling. This introductory, non-estate wine is a perfect example of Dr. Loosen's wines. *"Shy in aroma, with delicate peach, grapefruit and mineral flavors matched to the bright acidity. This is balanced and graceful, with a long, subtle finish."* **89 Points, "Best Value", The Wine Spectator**

**2007 Benziger Sauvignon Blanc, North Coast - Regularly \$12.99**

Over 20 years ago, Mike and Mary Benziger purchased a ranch on Sonoma Mountain with the help of Mike's father, Bruno Benziger, a wine and spirits importer from New York. A year later, Bruno and his wife Helen, along with their two youngest children, moved west to help start the winery. Mike's younger brothers, Bob, Joe and Jerry Benziger, would soon follow. Today, more than two-dozen Benzigers live on and around the estate winery in Sonoma County. The Benziger Family Winery is a leader in Biodynamic winegrowing practices in California and they share their knowledge and experience with their longtime grower partners throughout Sonoma County. *It is fruit driven in style, with subtle oak and herb overtones. In aroma, it smells of apple, lemongrass, and vanilla; on the palate, it is medium bodied, softly textured with bright acid, and medium long on the finish. Enjoy with tuna fish sandwiches, grilled prawns basted in olive oil and garlic, wilted spinach salad with bacon dressing, pasta primavera, fried chicken, and roast pork.* - Terry Nolan, Winemaker

**2007 Sterling Vintner's Chardonnay, Central Coast - Regularly \$12.99**

From Monterey to Santa Barbara, the central coast yields a variety of diverse growing conditions, ultimately imparting a range of flavor profiles ideal for a balanced, well-structured wine. Most of the grapes came from Monterey where the cool ocean influence brings forward fresh stonefruit flavors and bright acids. Winemaker Joe Kidd chose the tropical fruit and melon characters found in the Paris Valley Ranch Vineyard to give the wine its lush core then finished with fruit from Santa Barbara AVA and Paso Robles AVA. One word to describe this wine is.....*spectacular!*

**2005 Cable Bay Chardonnay, New Zealand - Regularly \$23.99**

Cable Bay Vineyards has been developed by a small group of wine lovers who are passionate about New Zealand and its wines. Their goal is to produce a select range of high quality wines from grapes grown on Waiheke Island and in Marlborough on the North Island of New Zealand. Neill Culley, Managing Director / Winemaker, is an innovative traditionalist who is renowned for producing premium wines. He blends wines from Cable Bay's different vineyards to produce a final bottling that highlights this unique region. This Chardonnay is very fresh and vibrant, with excellent depth and harmony and a nutty, toasty finish.