



## October 4\*2\*GO Red Wine

### **2006 De Bortoli Merlot, Australia – Regularly \$6.99**

De Bortoli Wines is an exciting, innovative family owned wine company that is the 6<sup>th</sup> largest in Australia! It was started in 1927 by Italian immigrant Vittorio De Bortoli. Today the winemaking team is overseen by third generation winemaker Darren De Bortoli and his brother-in-law Steve Webber, who is married to Leanne De Bortoli. This Merlot is dry and full-bodied with generous spicy plum flavors. It finishes with firm tannins and a touch of oak and can cellar up to five years. All of the De Bortoli wines are excellent values, but if you like fortified (dessert) wines you will want to try their Noble One Botrytis Semillon. It was developed by Darren De Bortoli in 1982 and is one of the world's most awarded wines, accumulating over 320 Gold Medals, 98 Trophies and 95 International Awards!

### **2005 X Winery Red X, California – Regularly \$14.99**

Who is X Winery you say? It's Reed Renaudin, Winemaker and CEO, his wife and friends. X Winery was established in 2000 from a MBA business plan created by Renaudin at Cal Poly- San Luis Obispo. The philosophy of the winery is to produce wines that retail in the super-premium price category of \$10-\$25 per bottle with a quality consistently better than others. The winery specializes in Cabernet Sauvignon and Sauvignon Blanc but also produces small lots of Chardonnay, Petite Sirah, Zinfandel, and Napa Valley Bordeaux-based wines. Red X is one of his most popular wines. It's an *explosive* blend of 42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 31% Syrah, 19% Petite Sirah, 5 % Grenache, 3% Cabernet Franc! Flavors of blueberry and dark chocolate with a hint a cedar balance the acidity beautifully. A versatile wine that will pair well with many of your favorite recipes.

### **2005 Castle Rock Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley – Regularly \$11.99**

Castle Rock's mission is to produce high quality wines at affordable prices. Their wines are made from grapes grown in the most prestigious areas of the West Coast states - California (Napa Valley, Sonoma County, Mendocino County, Monterey County, Alexander Valley), Oregon (Willamette Valley), and Washington (Columbia Valley). They do not employ a large staff of employees, have no elaborate facilities or real estate, and operate with a very modest promotional budget allowing them to successfully complete their mission. This elegant full-bodied wine has a deep ruby color, has aromas of dark cherry and molasses, and is loaded with nuance and flavor. On the palate it gives flavors of black cherry, ripe plum and spice with hints of light oak and finishes long and smooth. A great value!

### **2005 La Cova dels Vins Ombra, Spain – Regularly \$19.99**

“This is the first vintage of the 2005 Ombra, the personal project of Capcanes winemaker, Cisco Perello. It is equal parts Garnacha, Carinena, and Cabernet Sauvignon aged in barrel for 9 months. Opaque purple-colored, it offers a perfume of spice box, cedar, tobacco, and black cherry. Firm on the palate, with sweet fruit and a racy style, the wine has excellent balance and should evolve nicely for 2-3 years. It should drink well through 2017.” – Jay Miller, *The Wine Advocate*, **90 points**