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aromas. The wine saw enough barrel aging to give it Toasted Head's signature toasted oak flavor but not too much wood to overpower the wine's bright and impressionable fruit.

"This wine offers unrestrained and voluptuous aromas and flavors of honeysuckle, vanilla bean, orange blossoms, juicy white peach and fresh kiwi," Kuhn says. "It tastes amazing with white fish, hors d'oeuvres and Asian cuisine."

In addition to its Chardonnay and Untamed White, Toasted Head also produces three red wines. Untamed Red is a proprietary blend of Syrah, Zinfandel and Petite Sirah. The winery also makes a Cabernet Sauvignon and a Merlot. For more information, please visit **www.toastedheadwines.com**.

Raymond Vineyards Barrel to Barrel Program

Following the success of the barrel to barrel program introduced at DeLoach Vineyards in the Russian River Valley in 2009, Boisset Family Estates has launched a new barrel to barrel offering at Napa Valley's Raymond Vineyards. Aimed at bringing the cellar experience directly to wine lovers, the innovative alternative packaging option features an elegant French oak barrel. Inside, a specially-crafted Cabernet Sauvignon is contained in an eco-friendly bag that preserves the quality of the wine, reduces packaging and offers great value for both restaurant by-the-glass pours and consumers at home. Raymond offers its Cabernet in a 10L eco-bag for restaurants and a 3L eco-bag for at-home enjoyment.

Created with a one-of-a-kind tap unique to Raymond Vineyards and DeLoach, the barrel is designed to be a permanent fixture in its new home. To ensure a fresh, vibrant, authentic "from the barrel" taste, texture and palate, the wine is lightly-fined and filtered. Once opened (or tapped?), the wine is protected from oxidation for up to six weeks, making for lasting enjoyment of a fresh glass without any fear of cork taint, broken bottles or other wine flaws. When all the wine has been consumed, the eco-bags can simply be re-ordered without having to purchase a new barrel.



Through the use of lower-cost, eco-friendly packaging, the savings are passed on to the consumer through the high quality of the wine in the bag. Predominantly Cabernet Sauvignon, the number one red varietal that continues to experience strong growth, the Raymond Vineyards Barrel to Barrel Cabernet is blended by Winemaker Stephanie Putnam with small amounts of Merlot and Petite Sirah sourced from the North and Central Coast of California. The result is a jammy, juicy Cabernet Sauvignon with weight and a velvety texture, but no aggressive tannins and just a hint of oak integration – the perfect food companion.

The Raymond Vineyards barrel conserves bottle storage space and eliminates wasted time spent opening bottles, without sacrificing the quality or freshness of the wine. For the on-premise trade, the barrel to barrel program offers an economical and efficient solution to the increased demand for wines by the glass, and eliminates virtually all packaging. No corks, capsules, labels or bottles – just a bag. While a typical nine liter case of bottles weighs 6,876 grams (just the glass, not including the weight of the wine), the Raymond eco-bag weighs only 68.5 grams and can hold 10 liters of wine – less than 1% of the weight of a glass case, and it holds one additional liter of wine. At a five ounce pour, a 10L eco-bag is almost 70 glasses of wine. The 3L eco-bag is equivalent to four bottles of wine.

For more information, please visit **www.raymondvineyards.com**.

Twisted Moscato

Twisted expands its lineup of consumer-friendly California wines to include 2010 Twisted Moscato – a lively twist on everyday white wine. Twisted Moscato, offers a swirl of citrus, orange blossom and floral aromas with concentrated flavors of honey, nectarine, and tropical fruit.



Creamy vanilla and crisp acidity lead to a juicy, reviving finish.

The Twisted portfolio delivers approachable, quality wine from select vineyards throughout California. In addition to Moscato, Twisted includes five popular varietals: Pinot Grigio, Chardonnay, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Zinfandel. For more information about Twisted, visit **www.twistedwine.com** or **www.facebook.com/twistedwine**. Twisted Moscato is available nationwide in two sizes: 750ml and 1.5L .