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DeLoach Vineyards and the Santa Rosa Marathon Partner for 2013 Marathon
The course runs through the winery, a first for the marathon

Santa Rosa (August 20, 2013) — For the first time in the Santa Rosa Marathon’s history, participants will run onto the estate and through the barrel cellar of DeLoach Vineyards. The fifth annual Santa Rosa Marathon, presented by Blood Centers of the Pacific, takes place this Sunday, August 25, 2013. DeLoach will also host an all-you-can-eat pasta dinner poolside at the DeLoach guesthouse on Saturday, August 24 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Tickets are sold out.

The Santa Rosa Marathon, a Boston qualifier, worked tirelessly to bring unique touches to this year’s event, making it bigger and better than previous years. “Partnering with DeLoach made it possible for the runners to run through an actual barrel room. It’s never been done before,” said Orhan Sarabi, Race Director. He added, “Being able to offer every single full marathon runner and an additional 500 half marathon runners a bottle of wine is also unique. In the past, not everyone received a bottle.”

With over 3,500 runners participating this year, each runner registered in the full marathon and the first 500 half marathon will receive a bottle of DeLoach Vineyards 2012 Finisher’s Red, a cuvée blended specially for the event. Additionally, DeLoach will be pouring a selection of wines to taste at the post race festival. Registration for the full and half marathons is sold out and the waitlist is closed, however, registration for the 5K is still open.

Jean-Charles Boisset, proprietor of DeLoach Vineyards, said, “It is an honor and a pleasure to be a sponsor of the Santa Rosa Marathon. We are ecstatic to be a unique part of the event, and excited to see hundreds of people running through our vineyards. It is a once-in-a-lifetime experience!”

The Santa Rosa Marathon will benefit Open Table, a community outreach project based out of the Rio Lindo Adventist Academy that assists the homeless population in Santa Rosa. Clothing, toiletries and warm meals are provided by the volunteers, and they also offer services such as bike repairs. Weight Loss for Warriors in partnership with the Navy SEAL foundation and One Team One Fight will also be represented. Runners who register for the 5K can opt to wear a

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T-shirt commemorating one of the 31 heroes that died on August 6, 2011 when their helicopter was shot down in Afghanistan. Proceeds from the race will support surviving families of these military heroes.

For more information on DeLoach Vineyards, visit www.deloachvineyards.com. To learn more about the Santa Rosa Marathon, to find out about road closures or to register to participate, visit www.thesantarosamarathon.com.

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About DeLoach Vineyards

DeLoach Vineyards has been a pioneering producer of Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Zinfandel in Sonoma's Russian River Valley since 1975. DeLoach seeks to produce exceptional wines that spotlight the singular personality of the Russian River Valley, with its rare and bountiful convergence of the sea, the soil and the stars. The Boisset family of Burgundy has stewarded winegrowing and winemaking at DeLoach since 2003, bringing the techniques and approaches of Burgundy to winemaking in the Russian River Valley, which they believed to be California's most expressive terroir for cultivating Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Under Boisset, DeLoach has grown its small-lot vineyard designate wine program, become a certified organic and Biodynamic estate vineyard, and implemented traditional Burgundian winemaking techniques such as open-top wood fermentors, native yeast fermentations, and hand punch-downs. *Wine & Spirits* magazine named DeLoach Vineyards a Top 100 Winery for the twelfth time in the winery's history in 2011.