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## 2005 Big Guy Red Wine California

*“The best thing about a man is his dog.” – French proverb.*

Winemaking goes to the dogs!

After seven years of faithfully welcoming guests to the winery, Ty (our Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier whom Anthony calls “Big Guy”) shares his own favorite wine for those lovely BBQ dinners he so enjoys. Our Big Guy Red blend pairs beautifully with spare ribs, pork tenderloins, burgers, rib eyes – you get the idea! Don’t forget to share a tidbit with your faithful friend, and ENJOY!

Our Big Guy Red Wine is a blend from select lots drawn from California appellations. Bordeaux varietals Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec & Petit Verdot are blended with Syrah, a Rhone varietal. These lots display lively fruit aromas and flavors; enjoyable while young. The tannin structures will allow the wine to develop gracefully for several years.

### Vintage Notes

The 2005 harvest was the largest since 2000. A long, cool growing season and picture-perfect weather during much of September and October produced high-quality grapes that some winemakers say are reminiscent of the well-regarded 1997 crush – in other words – a vintage to remember.

### Tasting Notes

Our 2005 Big Guy is a blend created from several lots of wine drawn from the traditional Bordeaux varietals. These lots display lively fruit aromas and flavors with a soft, supple tannin structure. The addition of Syrah makes this wine approachable at an earlier age, while still having a tannin structure that will allow the wine to develop for several years. A medium-bodied wine, with rich, complex flavors of fruit and toasty oak integrated with supple tannins, this wine is a delightful accompaniment to any occasion.

### Technical Analysis

Varietal:	Merlot (53%) Cabernet sauvignon (33%) Syrah (14%)
Source:	Napa Valley and Sierra Foothills
Total Acid:	0.61 gm/100ml
pH:	3.62
Alcohol:	13.9%
Bottle Date:	Dec 2007
Production:	430 cases

