

A FIRST LOOK AT OUR EDITORS' MOST EXCITING NEW WINES

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FEATURED IN THIS WEEK'S *WINE SPECTATOR INSIDER* is a world of enticing reds and whites from producers large and small. Bruce Sanderson reviews nine wines from Italy's Piedmont region, James Laube adds four from California, Harvey Steiman tastes 10 Washington varietals and Kim Marcus rounds out the list with 17 Portuguese wines from the Douro.

At the top of the heap this week is the newest incarnation of the Caymus Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Special Selection, the 2008, as well as the Turnbull Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Black Label 2007. Washington and Portugal chime in as well in this week's Hot Wines, on page 4.

ELVIO COGNAC

Langhe Montegrilli 2008

91 points | \$NA | NA cases made | Red

A supple, round red, ideal for anyone wanting an approachable Nebbiolo with all the bells and whistles. Black cherry, licorice and violet flavors are accented by spice, and the tannins are well-integrated. Nebbiolo and Barbera. Drink now through 2018.—B.S.