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Sumptuous Christmas Wines

The wines I'm going to mention in this posting will be from ones that I've recently enjoyed. The true fun will be pairing them with my Williams-Sonoma Christmas recipe book (Simon-Schuster), again... Just as I did during the Thanksgiving season. I just found these two books, and am really looking forward to our Christmas dinner!



Winemaker Jeff Miller, who has become a contributor to Wine-Blog, is making really affordable wines that easily please the palate. Don't let this affordable price tag fool you. This is a powerfully flavored wine and a great value to your meal, as you round out your Christmas holiday with family and friends.

2005 Sly Dog Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon, Lake County (\$15.00) ~ Chocolate Mousse Cake

* DESSERT: The Sly Dog Cellars Cabernet has aromas of dried raspberry, rose petals, wild cherry, and cassis. The bittersweet chocolate is perfectly balanced in flavor from the currant and a hint of anise from the wine. This dessert has a couple of tablespoons of Kahúla for richness, and the crème fraîche topping smooths out the tannins of the Cab, making for a sweet ending to a delicious day.