



TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 CABERNET SAUV. BECKSTOFFER TO-KALON	OAKVILLE (not released)	RED	(96-100)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2005 CABERNET SAUV. BECKSTOFFER TO-KALON	OAKVILLE (not released)	RED	96
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 CABERNET SAUV. CIMAROSSA VYD.	HOWELL MTN. (not released)	RED	(94-96)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2005 CABERNET SAUV. CIMAROSSA BLOCK 10	HOWELL MTN. (not released)	RED	93
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 CABERNET SAUV. MAST VYD.	YOUNTVILLE (not released)	RED	(92-94)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2005 CABERNET SAUV. MAST-CIMAROSSA	NAPA (not released)	RED	93
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 CHARDONNAY MOLLY-HUDSON VYD.	CARNEROS (\$60.00)	WHITE	(92-95)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2005 CHARDONNAY CUVEE TORCHIANA	NAPA (\$60.00)	WHITE	(94-96)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 CHARDONNAY DURELL VYD.	SONOMA COAST (\$60.00)	WHITE	(92-94)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 TOR ROCK GRENACHE JUDGE FMLY. VYD. COOPER	BENNETT VLY. (not released)	RED	(89-91)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 TOR ROCK HOMAGE ALLEN JUDGE FAMILY VYD.	BENNETT VLY. (not released)	RED	(91-93)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 TOR ROCK HUDSON VYD.	NAPA (not released)	RED	(92-94)
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2005 TOR ROCK HUDSON VYD.(ALBAN CLONE)	CARNEROS (\$60.00)	RED	92
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2005 TOR ROCK HUDSON VYD.(NOIR CLONE)	CARNEROS (\$150.00MAG)	RED	93
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2006 TORROCK SYRAH JUDGE FAMILY VYD.	BENNETT VLY. (not released)	RED	92-94
TOR KENWARD FMLY. 2005 TOR ROCK SYRAH LAS MADRES VYD.	CARNEROS (\$40.00)	RED	91

Tor Kenward and his winemaker, Jeff Ames, have produced some breakthrough efforts in 2005 and 2006. A longtime executive at Beringer as well as a meticulous wine connoisseur who knows great wine as well as anybody, Kenward is carving out a superb reputation for wine quality. His total production is just under 2,500 cases, and the best way for consumer to purchase his wines is through the winery's mailing list. His Chardonnay's are superb. Kenward's knowledge of northern California viticulture and vineyard sites has put him in the position to get great fruit, which has translated in to artesian hand-crafted wines. The sensational **2006 Chardonnay Durell Vineyard** offers up scents of lychee nuts, white peaches, white currants, honeysuckle, tropical fruits, and background toasty oak, all buttressed by zesty acidity. In addition to terrific fruit presence, it provided fin under-lying mineralogy. Named after Tor Kenward's daughter the **2006 Chardonnay Cuvee Molly Hudson Vineyard** (made from the old Wente clone) is a magnificent offering. Reminiscent of a top vintage of Louis Latours Batard-Montrachet, it boasts subtle notes of smoky oak, roasted pineapple, poached pears, brioche, hazelnuts, and tropical fruits. This long, rich, full-bodied white, is impressively pure, with good acidity as well as a heady finish. The beautiful **2005 Chardonnay Cuvee Torchiana** is another Old Wente Clone of Chardonnay made from a cool climate site. It exhibits lovely notes of caramelized tropical frits, lemon oil, orange blossoms, and nectarines. Despite the use of 95% new French barrels, there is only a subtle hint of new oak in the full bodied, long white.

Kenwards interest in high quality Syrah will hopefully be rewarded by consumers' recognition that this grape can produce fabulous wines in California, which tend to still sell at realistic prices. His three cuvees of 2005 are all promising. The **2005 Tor ROCK Syrah Las Madres Vineyard** offers notes of tapenade, classic blackberry, cassis, and sweet cherry fruit, creosote, acacia flowers, and a touch of green pepper (which provides northern Rhone aromatic and flavor profile). The **2005 Tor Rock Syrah Hudson Vineyard (Alban Clone)** exhibits notes of chocolate, ground black pepper, blackberry, charcoal, and camphor. This wine is only sold in magnums, hence the high price. Its is a dense, rich, loaded Syrah that should drink well for a decade or more. The **2005 Tor ROCK Syrah Hudson Vineyard (Noir Clone)** reveals beautiful acacia flower, ground pepper, sweet blackberry and cassis fruit, and lard-like aromas and flavors in a full-bodied, opulent style. The rich **2006 Tor ROCK Syrah Judge Family Vineyard** possesses aromas and the flavors of espresso roast, grilled meats, black fruits, spice, and earth. More elegant and fruit-forward, and not as concentrated is the **2006 Tor ROCK Syrah Hudson Vineyard**.

The **2006 Tor ROCK Grenache Judge Vineyard Cuvee Cooper** is a tasty, deep ruby/purple-tinged Grenache offering sweet aromas of kirsch and loamy soil, terrific fruit, and medium body. It appears to be an outstanding example of Grenache, one of the most difficult grapes to capture true varietal character when grown in California. The **2006 Tor ROCK Homage Allen Judge Family Vineyard**, a Syrah, Grenache, Viognier blend (83%,15%,2% respectively) possesses beautiful, sweet, bacon-infused blackberry and cassis fruit intermixed with spring flower, truffle, and asphalt-like characteristics. Deep and ripe, with excellent balance, it should drink well for 4-6 years.

Tor Kenward has hit home runs with a number of his Cabernets. Offering up notes of blueberries, black raspberries, and currants in a soft, Pomerol-like style, the **2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Mast-Cimarossa** possesses sweet tannins, adequate acidity, and a plush texture as well as finish. Drink it over the next 10-12 years. Dominated by minerals, tannins, and earthiness is the dark ruby/purple-colored **2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Cimarossa Block 10**. Aged in new Taransaud and Damy oak, it exhibits sweet black raspberry and blackberry fruit along with crushed rock, white flower and spice characteristics. Full-bodied and moderately tannic, it will benefit from several years of bottle age, and should drink well for two decades. A magnificent effort, the **2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard** (approximately 300 cases) is reminiscent of a Bordeaux Pauillac. Cedar wood, *crème de cassis*, licorice and spice box aromas soar from the glass of this opaque ruby/purple-colored cuvee. With fabulous fruit, intensity, full-bodied power, authoritative richness, and multiple flavor dimensions, this is a blockbuster Cabernet Sauvignon that should drink well for 20+ years.

Barrel sample of the 2006 Cabernet Sauvignons were also tasted. The **2006 Cabernet Sauvignon Mast Vineyard** exhibits terrific ripeness, loads of up-front fruit, and a heady mouthfeel. Even better is the **2006 Cabernet Sauvignon Cimarossa Vineyard**, which reveals sumptuous notes of spice, black currants, espresso, chocolatey fruit, and underlying minerality. It is a dense, full-bodied wine with compelling potential. The **2006 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard** looks to be utterly profound. Its opaque purple/black/blue color offers up scents of incense, *pain grille*, *crème de cassis*, licorice, cedar, and spice. With superb richness and stuffing as well as a huge, glycerin-dominated mouthfeel, and a long finish, this is an outrageously profound Cabernet Sauvignon from one of the truly great sites in California. It should drink well for two decades or more.