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GUESS WHAT'S
COMING TO
**YOUR
KITCHEN!**

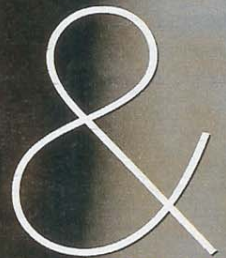


10. NEW TWISTS ON WINE

Drinking Merlot just got a whole lot easier. Companies like French Rabbit are rethinking the wine bottle, offering picnic-worthy wines in snappy cardboard cartons. Let's also raise our glasses to bottles with twist-off caps. Besides preserving the cork oak tree (from which the materials for the typical bottle stopper come), twist-offs may actually retain freshness better than a cork and a seal without risk of "cork taint." While there's no official count, John Gillespie, the president of the Wine Market Council, guesstimates that 5 percent of wine bottles are now sealed with caps but "the numbers are growing" as hip brands (Bonny Doon Vin Gris de Cigare, \$11; Plumpjack Cabernet Sauvignon, \$160) and vineyards in entire regions (like those in New Zealand that produce white wines) are proudly doing the twist. So the next time you're offered a corkless bottle, don't dismiss it—enjoy it. The bonus: There's less pressure to polish it off in one sitting.

BREAD IS BACK!

DESSERTS GET SPICY!



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