

Robb Report

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DOLCE VINO

Dolce, the late-harvest semillon-sauvignon blanc blend that has been called one of the world's finest dessert wines, has always been sold in half bottles—a little sweetness goes a long way. Collectors have been pastering Dolce Winery in Oakville, Calif., to produce larger 750ml bottles of its dessert wine. The larger bottles are easier to lay down for long periods of aging. This year, Dolce has agreed and will be releasing 300 full bottles of its 1997 vintage; another 2,400 bottles will be released over the next few years through the winery's Cave Collection. A half bottle of Dolce sells for \$75, a 750ml bottling will go for \$150, and a magnum will retail for \$300.