

## Wine Expert Shares Hot Trends for 2011

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*From South American wines to the rise of Cabernet from Santa Barbara County, hear what's in store for the new year that has the manager of Bernard's Wine Gallery excited.*

The coming new year has inspired Calabasas business owners to share with us some forward looking trends and ideas that will dominate in 2011.

Calabasas Patch recently spoke with Matt Bayless, manager of Bernard's Wine Gallery, to find out what the top 10 trends are for wine lovers, and what to watch for.

According to Bayless, keep an eye out for . . .

### **6. Bien Nacido Vineyard (Santa Barbara County):**

"If I had to pick one vineyard that not only produces great wine, but is also recognized by the average wine drinker for their high-quality wine it would be the Bien Nacido vineyard. Bien Nacido is succeeding in making wine geeks out of the casual drinker," said Bayless. "Bien Nacido is proudly displayed like a medal of honor on the front of those lucky wineries who have access to their fruit. The wines even go as far as showcasing what tiny block from the vineyard they are sourced from. Foxen Pinot Noir comes from the Block 8 section and their chardonnay comes from Block UU, and the amazing thing is that people are starting to distinguish between the different blocks. Anyone that wants to be a believer in the quality of the fruit need only look at the multiple 100-point ratings received by Sine Qua Non winery for their syrah's sourced from Bien Nacido."

