Bounty Hunter Rare Wine & Provisions' New Wines Heralded in Wine Spectator's Nov. 15, 2007 Article: 'Surprising 2004 Cabernets: 20 to Watch'

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Napa, CA (PRWEB) November 9, 2007 -- Bounty Hunter Rare Wines & Provisions' Justice and Waypoint wines have been declared "Classic" and "Outstanding" respectively in the November 15, 2007 issue of Wine Spectator. "Surprising 2004 Cabernets: 20 To Watch" by MaryAnn Worobiec highlights both the Justice and Waypoint Cabernets.

According to Wine Spectator, "Nearly 100 new Cabernet bottlings have appeared in California over the past year and most of them are from Napa Valley. The 20 producers profiled here stood out in recent tastings. They represent the efforts of a diverse group of winemakers: world-renowned vintners, hobbyists, landowners, a vineyard manager and a well-known wine retailer. Some own vineyards and/or a winery, some do not, but each has assembled a passionate and committed Cabernet team. And there's no sign of the boom of new producers slowing—there are dozens more new labels on the horizon, scheduled to release their first wines over the next couple years."

Wine Spectator rates thousands of wines each year on a 100-point scale, an explanation of which can be found online at winespectator.com. A wine that scores between 95 and 100 is considered "Classic: a great wine"; a wine that scores between 90 and 94 is considered "Outstanding: a wine of superior character and style". Their ratings are among the most widely respected in the industry.

Bounty Hunter Rare Wine & Provisions, a Napa-based fine wine purveyor since 1994, now produces select fine wines with the assistance of Winemaker Marco DiGiulio. Founder Mark Pope forayed into ultra-premium production with the 2004 Justice Series and 2003 Waypoint wines, to augment the existing lines in production; Pursuit, Broken Spur and Tin Star brands.

"I'm fortunate to get to taste about 5,000 wines a year. I have a good sense of what customers want," says Pope. "We're very pleased to be recognized by Wine Spectator for not only the Justice trio but also for the new Waypoint wines, all of which are we are very proud to make and sell."

In fact, the Justice series is very nearly sold out, and the Waypoint lineup will no doubt quickly follow suit given the high rating from Wine Spectator and very favorable consumer feedback.

The Justice Series is a trio of Cabernet-based wines that reveal the various expressions of Napa Valley's Beckstoffer vineyard properties. The wines include: Blind Justice, a 100 percent Cabernet Sauvignon; Poetic Justice, a Bordeaux-inspired blend; and Frontier Justice, a blend that will vary every year, (the '04 version is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc). The Justice wines rated 92, 94 and 95 respectively on the Wine Spectator scoring system.
The Waypoint brand has a slightly different inspiration. A "waypoint" represents a specific location of latitude and longitude, and as such each Waypoint wine is site or location specific (single-vineyard). This means that the wines were developed based on the best possible sites for the individual varietals.

The three best-known Waypoint wines are the Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Vineyard, St. Helena, the Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard, Oakville, and the Cabernet Franc Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard, Oakville. The Waypoint Cabernet Sauvignon wines were rated between 91 and 92 by Wine Spectator.

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About Bounty Hunter:
Founded by former pharmaceutical executive Mark Pope, Bounty Hunter Rare Wine & Provisions is a nationally-recognized purveyor of rare wines and luxury lifestyle goods. Based in Napa Valley, Bounty Hunter publishes two catalogs each year focusing on sought-after releases from wineries around the world. In addition to the catalog and website, the company offers 10 different wine clubs ranging from $49.95 monthly to $599.95 quarterly. The Bounty Hunter also operates a critically-acclaimed Wine Bar and Bistro in the heart of downtown Napa.

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