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**LEGENDARY PROFESSIONAL GOLFER ANNIKA SORENSTAM ADDS A  
CHARDONNAY TO HER NAMESAKE WINE PORTFOLIO**

*The 2008 ANNIKA Vineyards' Central Coast Chardonnay Being Released This Spring*

(LIVERMORE, CA; February 24, 2010)—ANNIKA Vineyards, a joint venture between Hall of Fame golfer Annika Sorenstam and family owned Wente Vineyards, is proud to introduce its newest entry, a 2008 Chardonnay, which will be available for purchase through its Web site in the spring of 2010. With the addition of this vintage, the ANNIKA Vineyards portfolio is comprised of two ultra-premium, boutique wines that speak to Annika's personal passion and wine style.

"This full-bodied Chardonnay has a great balance with apricot, peach, and tangerine interlaced throughout that lead to graham, vanilla, and ground spice flavors on the finish," says Winemaker Karl Wente. "With a perfectly weighted mouth feel, balanced by a refreshing acidity to cleanse the palate, this wine is both complex and crisp. The Chardonnay was barrel fermented in a combination of French, American, Eastern European, and neutral oak and was aged for 10 months."

Sorenstam, working closely with Winemaker Karl Wente, selected Chardonnay that comes from two vineyards in the Livermore Valley that harvest Clone 4 Chardonnay (Wente Clone) and the Old Wente Clone, which is a predecessor to the Wente clone. These vineyards were selected for the ANNIKA Chardonnay solely for their exceptional fruit and production consistency.

"I really enjoy the wine making experience and learning from Karl. During the final blending process we did in Lake Tahoe, we tasted through a number of

components and this is the one I could picture myself enjoying with family, friends, and business associates.”

### **About Annika**

Annika is the greatest female golfer of our generation and often regarded as the best of all-time. During her 15-year Hall of Fame career, she rewrote the LPGA and Ladies European Tour record books, won countless awards and changed the way women’s golf was played, viewed, and covered. She amassed 89 worldwide professional victories, including 72 LPGA wins, ten of which are Major Championships. Annika stepped away from professional golf after the 2008 season to focus on her family and the ANNIKA brand of businesses, including the ANNIKA Academy, ANNIKA Financial Group, ANNIKA Course Design, the ANNIKA Collection of apparel with Cutter & Buck, signature high-end wines with Wente Vineyards, a fragrance with SA Fragrances, and an online retail shop, [shopannika.com](http://shopannika.com). In 2007, Annika created the ANNIKA Foundation as a way to teach children the importance of living a healthy, active lifestyle through fitness and nutrition, and offer aspiring junior golfers opportunities to pursue their dreams. In 2008, Annika joined Arnold Palmer as only the second Ambassador of the United States Golf Association, and in 2009, along with Jack Nicklaus, she was named a Global Ambassador by the International Golf Federation and aided in the successful bid for golf in the 2016 Olympic Games. More information can be found at [www.annikasorenstam.com](http://www.annikasorenstam.com).

### **About Wente Vineyards**

The country's oldest continuously operated family-owned winery, Wente Vineyards is led today by the fourth- and fifth-generations of the Wente family. Blending traditional and innovative winemaking practices, the winery draws from 3,000 acres of sustainably farmed estate vineyards to create an outstanding portfolio of wines. Located just east of San Francisco in the historic Livermore Valley, Wente Vineyards is recognized as one of California’s premier wine-country destinations, featuring wine tasting, fine dining, and championship golf.

Suggested Retail Price - \$40.00/750ml Bottle  
Nationally Released - Spring 2010  
250 cases produced

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