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**2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS RELEASED**

***2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Barrel Tasting & Futures Open House – January 16, 2010***

**Carmel, Ca-** Chateau Julien Wine Estate's *2<sup>nd</sup> annual Barrel Tasting & Futures Open House* kicks off a fun-filled year of winery events in beautiful Carmel Valley. On Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 4pm, Chateau Julien Winemaker Bill Anderson will select barrels from the Estate's Chai, where over 1200 oak barrels rest with aging wine, for guests to sip, swirl and smell wine directly out of the barrel. Limited release Private Reserve Syrah, Merlot and Chardonnay will each be featured and offered at reduced "futures" pricing.

"The Private Reserve Syrah and Merlot aged in French and American oak for just about 16 months," comments Anderson. "The 2007 grapes harvest showed great promise and we are anxious to share a final taste prior to bottling." Special "futures" pricing – up to 40% off – will be extended during the Open House, with delivery scheduled for summer 2010. The cost to attend is \$10 per person. Club members are complimentary.

A total of seven events throughout the year celebrate futures, new release wines, food and wine accompaniments, harvest and festive performances on the 16-acre Estate. To make reservations for the Barrel Tasting & Futures Open House, and to view the complete list of 2010 events, please visit the Chateau Julien website – [www.chateaujulien.com](http://www.chateaujulien.com) or call (831)624-2600. Proprietors Bob & Patty Brower welcome guests daily to experience wine country hospitality. Chateau Julien Wine Estate is located at 8940 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Ca. Family Owned & Operated since 1982.