

Wine of the Week

2005 **(Oops)** Carmenere 70% Merlot 30%, Valle Central, “Cheeky Little Red” (\$12): Bright herb/pepper notes with blueberry and plum fruit; soft entry, great weight in the mouth. A tasty wine from importer Norman Schwartz, part of a line of Carmenere-based wines that includes a top-rate CabFranc-Carmenere blend and a lovely White Carmenere. Wonderfully humorous label. Available now at select Target stores; wider national distribution begins in January.

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