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# 97 Points

**97** Signorello 2005 Padrone Proprietary Red Wine (Napa Valley); \$110, Marks a welcome return to the magnificence of the 2002, although more recent vintages haven't exactly been slouches. The '05 is **amazing**, a densely structured, **deeply flavored Bordeaux blend** that's mainly Cabernet Sauvignon. Shows classic notes of cassis, currants and black cherry liqueur, while 70% new oak adds enticingly rich layers of sweet toast and smoky vanilla. The tannins are pure, **classic Napa**, very refined and ripe, offering solid structural support with no trace of astringency. **Beautiful now, and should slowly develop for many years.** – S.H.

