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Two outstanding, under the radar Cabernet Sauvignons that can be bought at realistic prices are these two sleepers from Lewelling. The **2006 Cabernet Sauvignon** is a dead-ringer for a Napa version of the famed Paulliac, Pontet-Canet. Charcoal, *creme de cassis*, unsmoked cigar tobacco, and earthy characteristics are present in its fragrant bouquet. It possesses sweet tannin, a full-bodied mouthfeel, and immediate accessibility, although it can be cellared for 15 more years. Slightly deeper, fuller, and more structured, with noticeably higher tannin is the opaque purple-hued **2006 Cabernet Sauvignon Wight Vineyard**. Sharing many of the same characteristics as its less expensive sibling, it also reveals notes of *creme de cassis*, smoky charcoal, graphite, and earth as well as a bigger framework and structured tannins, both nicely supported by an extravagant wealth of fruit and richness. Give it 2-3 years of cellaring, and drink it over the following 25 years.

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