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The Grape White Shark

GREG NORMAN'S AUSTRALIAN wines have achieved critical success, one even earning a top-10 distinction in *Wine Spectator*. Yet many Americans prefer domestic grapes. So the Grape White Shark has handpicked five California wine-making regions to develop a unique, full-flavored line of luxury wines. For example, the lush, petite syrah grapes come from Paso Robles in the Central Coast region, whereas the cabernet sauvignon grapes are grown in Napa, Sonoma and Lake counties north of San Francisco. Also including zinfandel, pinot noir and chardonnay selections, Norman's California line of wines offer high-quality taste for about \$15 a bottle. In better liquor and wine stores.



The Tie That Blinds

REMEMBER IN *CADDYSHACK* when Lacey Underall asked Ty Webb, "Do you want to tie me up with your ties, Ty?" Now you can tie up your club or just a friend with distinctive, customized ties, courtesy of South Beach Ties. Made of the finest Italian silk, SBT products carry a South Beach flavor—flamingos, pineapples. You get the idea. But best of all: You can design your own, for you or for your club. Don't have a club? Start your own by designing a tie. \$65 each. southbeachties.com



Bridgestone Rolls Out a Winner

SWING AFTER SWING produces a low, flat trajectory shot that rises slowly into the breeze and then parachutes straight down. It's one thing to get that kind of result from a 6-iron, but when the club of choice is the 2-iron from Bridgestone's J33 combo irons, you understand quickly why so many PGA Tour pros keep these in their bags. Soft 1031 carbon steel shaped into a "weight flow" design results in a line in which the long irons create a soft, high trajectory, mid-irons a piercing flight and short irons laser-like control—all with a confident-inducing buttery feel. \$1,000 for the set. bridgestonegolf.com

