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Galante Vineyards 2001 Rancho Galante Cabernet Sauvignon (\$20) has an inklike color. The aromas are complex and concentrated with black fruit. "Rancho Galante expresses the wonderful feelings and flavors of the ranch, as we use the fruit from three distinct vineyard parcels to create this wine," Galante says. "It is 100-percent cabernet sauvignon, aged completely in French oak."

Read the bottle's labeling closely, as cattle guy Galante sometimes shares his cowboy philosophies. Examples:

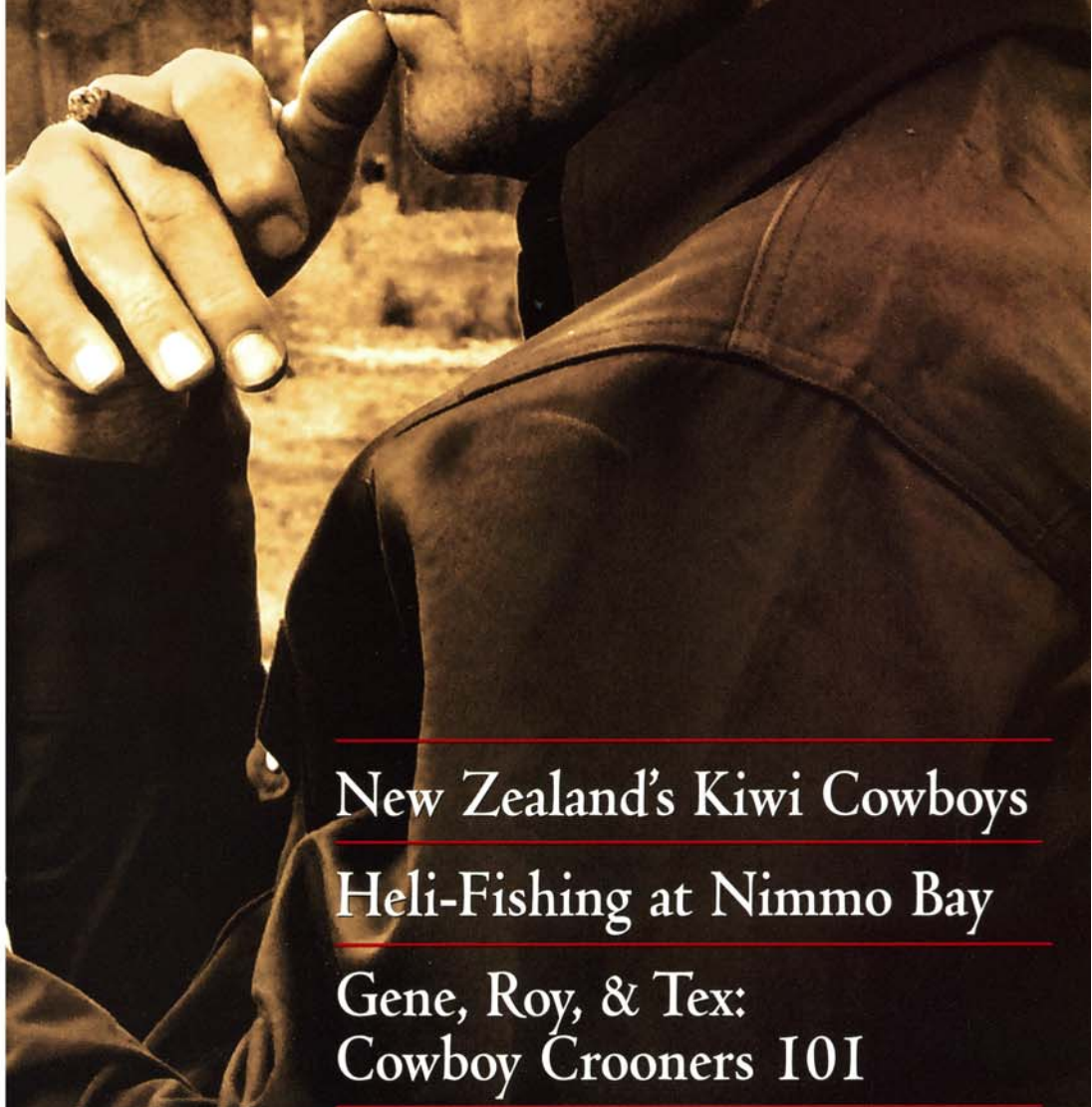
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The winery operates its Wine Tasting Room and Western Emporium in beautiful Carmel-by-the-Sea, located off Dolores between Ocean and Seventh Avenue.

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