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TENUTA DI TRINORO	2010	LE CUPOLE DI TRINORO	SARTEANO	(not available)	RED	88
TENUTA DI TRINORO	2010	PALAZZI	SARTEANO	(not available)	RED	93
TENUTA DI TRINORO	2010	TENUTA DI TRINORO	SARTEANO	(not available)	RED	92

Vintage 2010 was not easy for Andrea Franchetti's Tenuta di Trinoro. The cold weather was especially tough on the later-ripening Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot. When all was said and done, Franchetti left quite a bit of unripened fruit on the vine. The 2010s are pretty, medium-bodied wines that are best enjoyed sooner rather than later. The **2010 Le Cupole di Trinoro** is an attractive, mid-weight wine laced with dark red cherries, flowers, mint, tobacco and licorice. This is a relatively subdued, soft vintage for Le Cupole, with less exuberance than has been the case in some other previous vintages. The blend is 50%

Cabernet Franc, 40% Merlot, 6% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Petit Verdot. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2015. The **2010 Palazzi** is mostly Merlot with a dollop of other grapes, mainly Cabernet Franc. It is also the richest of the 2010s. Firm yet well-integrated tannins frame a deep core of dark red fruit. This is an especially powerful wine for 2010, a vintage that gave Franchetti very little to work with. The 2010 spent just five months in oak. Anticipated maturity: 2013-2020. The **2010 Tenuta di Trinoro** comes across as quite understated in this vintage. Dark cherries, plums, espresso and licorice are some of the nuances that take

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shape in the glass. Despite the mid-weight structure of the fruit, there is absolutely no sign of the 100% new oak barrels. It should drink well early. In 2010 the Tenuta is 70% Cabernet Franc and 30% Petit Verdot.

The wine spent just five months in oak prior to being prepared for bottling. Anticipated maturity: 2012-2020. Importer: T. Edward Wines, New York, NY; tel. (212) 233-1504