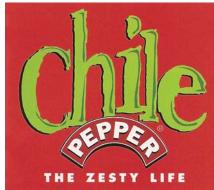


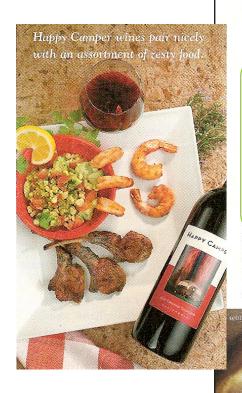
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Summer Sippers

TRY THESE REFRESHING DRINKS TO MATCH SPICY, SMOKY MEALS

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utdoor dining can highlight the best of everything-warm, sunny afternoons and mild nights, the bounty of garden vegetables, and the mouthwatering aromas of sauceslathered meat on the grill.

To complement this perfect setting, you need to serve the right beverages. In the refined atmosphere of a restaurant or

"A cookout is a great place to highlight the playfulness of a wine. Maybe because the wineries like to show off a sense of humor, wines grace the shelves with names like **Happy Camper**, Little Penguin, Red Guitar and Red Truck All are good, and better yet, all are bargains."



sparkling wine, sweet ons like the pisco sour smooth of zesty fare. Start with the brandy pisco, and add lime whites and sugar to create a drink. My first-well, my first

ame in quick succession, and the rest of the evening just seemed to float along. The best pisco brandy comes from either Chile or Peru-

BEFORE THE BIG MEAL

When your guests arrive, or when you discover an unquenchable thirst before they even get there, aim for something bright, sparkling and effervescent. Cool

nationally marketed small-production If you're not looking for suds, keep

wine

"Happy Camper (California) is just that. Light and friendly, and only \$9, the cabernet sauvignon, merlot, and chardonnay are just right for a laid-back barbeque

are bright, lively and fruity. The juice and soda water adds up to the sparkling base gives the cocktail its lift-almost like a mimosa,

ultimate summertime quencher. And whether you're spending your summer in Florence or wishing you were, Italy's



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