

Screw caps are not the only solution. Henschke uses Vino-Lok, a glass stopper with a plastic ring to seal the lip, on its Hill of Grace, Australia's most expensive red. Balnaves Winery has switched to an Australian product called Pro Cork, which affixes (without glue) a thin disk of the same material used to make Cryovac food storage bags onto both ends of an ordinary wine cork. In theory, the ends protect the wines from cork taint. Balnaves says its results have been excellent.