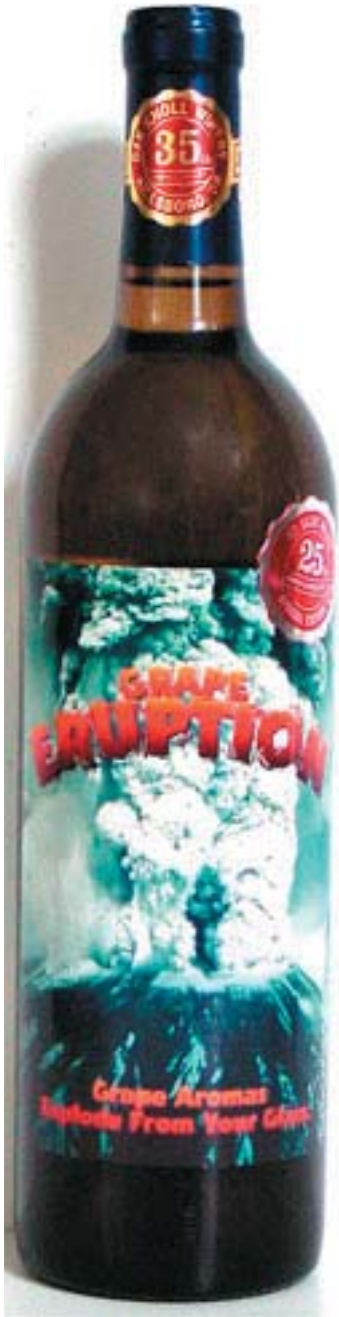


## Oak Knoll Winery offers explosive wine variety

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An Oregon winery is taking the idea of popping the cork to a whole new level.

Oak Knoll Winery of Hillsboro is producing a special wine in honor of the 25th anniversary of the most recent big eruption of Mount St. Helens. It's called Grape Eruption, and each bottle is labeled with a photograph of the famous volcanic blast.

Winery President Greg Lint said the link from volcano to wine makes sense, as so much of the soil in the Northwest is volcanic.

Grape Eruption is made from Niagara grapes, which are more commonly associated with simple grape juice. Oak Knoll has been making a Niagara wine since the early 1970s.