

Deep Chill

You forgot to put the white in the fridge, and your guests just rang the doorbell. You could stick the bottle in the freezer or in a bucket of ice water, but either of those alternatives still involves waiting. What to do?

The solution is a new gadget called the Ravi instant wine chiller (www.winevine-imports.com; \$50). It works on the same principle as some ice-cream makers. Leave the Ravi in the freezer, and the liquid inside gets very, very cold. When you need it, fit it over the top of the bottle and pour. The wine chills while passing through the Ravi, and you can control how cold it gets by holding your finger over an air hole at the top.

Serving temperature can be achieved in a few seconds for a red wine. A few seconds longer, and your white wine is ready for the guests.

And when you're done, just rinse it out. But take my word for it: Let it dry completely before you put it back in the freezer.

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