

2002 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEMAKER NOTES:

Our 2002 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon shows a dense purple color, which leads to bold and intense aromas of ripe blackcurrant, spicy licorice, black tea leaves and smoke. The palate is immediately rich and dense but remains light on its feet due to the wine's inherent vineyard-driven minerality. A deep pure core of fresh black fruit dominates with secondary flavors of graphite and dark chocolate. The tannin structure is broad and lush and the vintage-derived ripeness creates a layered texture with plenty of fresh acidity to pick up and extend the finish.

Decant for an hour in its youth to experience the wine's full range of flavors. This large-scaled wine will further concentrate for 4 to 5 years in bottle and hold for a decade

- Andy Smith, Winemaker

Performing even better from bottle than it did from cask. It is a sexy, supple Cabernet offering a dense saturated purple color, and a big, full bodied, heady bouquet of black fruits, melted licorice, and smoke. This fleshy, hedonistic Cabernet Sauvignon will have huge crowd appeal, and should fare well in blind tastings. Enjoy it over the next 10-15 years.

93 Points, Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate, Issue 157, 2-28-05



100% Estate grown fruit, produced and bottled at Larkmead Vineyards

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Aged for 20 months in 60% new medium toast
French oak barrels

