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94pts

Larkmead 2019 Solari

Napa, Napa

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2024 - 2034

The 2019 Solari is powerful and intensely savory in the glass. Dark and explosive, the 2019 is packed with wild cherry, cedar, leather, tobacco, menthol and incense. There's a ton of depth, but the 2019 has never lost the slightly awkward character it showed from bottle. Time brings out the strong savory, earthy inflections that are typical of Larkmead. This is an especially somber wine.

Antonio Galloni. Tasting date: October 2022

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Larkmead 2021 Sauvignon Blanc Lillie

Napa, Napa

White wine from United States

Drinking window: 2023 - 2028

The 2021 Sauvignon Blanc Lillie is a very pretty, layered white. Lemon confit, orchard fruit and sweet floral notes all meld together in this soft, open-knit Sauvignon Blanc, with a touch of French oak that frames the finish.

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Larkmead 2021 Solari

Napa, Napa

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2026 - 2036

The 2021 Solari is the first vintage that has now been reimagined as a selection of the best lots in the cellar. Dark cherry, plum, espresso, menthol, licorice and cloves are build in a statuesque, deep Callistoga Cabernet Sauvignon. This is very promising, but it will need time.

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Larkmead 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate

Napa, Napa

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2026 - 2036

The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate is terrific. Bold and explosive, the 2021 shows the more muscular side of the year. Black cherry, tobacco, incense and new leather all meld together in this dramatic, super-expressive Callistoga Cabernet Sauvignon.

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Larkmead 2021 Firebelle

Napa, Napa

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2026 - 2036

The 2021 Firebelle is bright and effusive, with tons of aromatic intensity from the Cabernet Franc in this year's blend. Dark red cherry, crushed herbs, mint and spice are all vibrant in the glass. This is quite promising.

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Larkmead 2020 Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley)

Napa, Napa

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2023 - 2028

The 2020 Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley) is the only wine Larkmead made in this challenging vintage. The heat and drought of the year are strong markers. Dark cooked fruit, worn-in leather, dried herbs and tobacco all show signs of significant stress in the vineyard. All things considered, this is a good wine in a very difficult year.

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