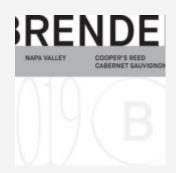


Kit #155A • W6

Brendel Cabernet Sauvignon Coopers Reed Napa Valley 2019

Selected by: Master Sommelier Evan Goldstein



Final Deductions

VINTAGE 2019

GRAPE Cabernet Sauvignon/Blend

GEOGRAPHY Not Europe

COUNTRY USA

LARGER REGION California

SMALLER REGION Napa Valley

Rationale

The vanguard of America's leading variety, Cabernet Sauvignon can also claim to be the most widely planted grape in the world with approximately 840,000 acres, grown in dozens of countries. Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon has long connoted excellence and has been the "calling card" of this celebrated region. Having doubled in acreage since 1990, Napa Valley's prestigious wine reputation was built on the back of Cabernet. With almost 20,000 acres of vineyards planted, Napa's warm weather, long growing season, diverse soil structures, and a myriad of microclimates provide near-perfect conditions for the grape to thrive.

While the wine structure varies from grapes grown in mountain vineyards to those on the valley floor (with the former being more ample and tannic), the base flavor profile is fairly consistent: blackberry/blueberry, ripe plum, black cherry, currant, licorice, spice box, and occasionally mint or eucalyptus.

Brendel Wines produced its first vintage in 2019 and is part of Lawrence Wine Estates, a group of Napa Valley-based wineries owned by proprietor Gaylon Lawrence including Burgess Cellars, Heitz Cellar, Ink Grade Estate, Stony Hill Vineyard, and several other vineyard sites. Named for Leon Brendel, a man who bought a small plot of land in Napa Valley in the 1950s and focuses on Napa Valey Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay although equally celebrated for small lots of more obscure varieties including Tempranillo, Petite Sirah, and Trousseau (red).

Sight

BRIGHTNESS Day Bright

CLARITY Opaque

COLOR DEPTH Deep

COLOR Ruby

RIM VARIATION Ruby Stained Tears: Medium

Structure

RESIDUAL SUGAR Dry

ACID Med+

ALCOHOL Med+

TANNIN Med+

TEXTURE Round / Smooth

FINISH Med+

COMPLEXITY Med+

Aroma & Taste

RED FRUIT Red Currant • Red Plum • Red Raspberry • Strawberry *Condition: Fresh, Ripe*

BLACK FRUIT Black Raspberry • Blackberry • Black Currant / Cassis • Black Plum *Condition: Fresh, Ripe*

FLORAL Rose • Violet Condition: Fresh

OTHER VEGETABLE Mushrooms (Brown) • Fennel / Anise • Rhubarb • Cola Nut

HERBAL Tea Leaf / Bergamot • Mint / Eucalyptus • Tobacco Leaf • Laurel / Bay Leaf

OTHER SPICES Licorice (Black)

ORGANIC EARTH Forest Floor • Turned Dirt / Potting Soil

OAK AGING Yes Oak Intensity: Low
OAK INFLUENCE Neutral / Large Oak

OXIDATION/NUTTINESS Almond / Marzipan • Pistachio • Walnut