

The 2019 Napa Valley vintage is among the best of recent memory. The growing season began auspiciously with generous rainfall and mild temperatures, and continued with warm and uneventful summer weather that allowed clusters ample time to ripen. Abundant hang time and a lack of extreme heat events preserved the fruit's freshness and finesse, while coaxing out great color, rich fruit and fully mature tannins. The 2019 wines offer a wonderfully bright acidity, expressive aromatics, and complex texture.



2019 PURLIEU CABERNET SAUVIGNON

BECKSTOFFER GEORGES III VINEYARD

The 2019 Purlieu Georges III bottling exemplifies the refinement of Rutherford Cabernet. The nose unfolds into layers of fragrant boysenberry, black and red fruits, and a delicate touch of chervil. On the palate, ripe plum and juicy purple fruit give way to creamy notes of dark milk chocolate, before gliding forward again to support the long, satisfying finish. Well-integrated tannins offer a seamless structure to this elegant wine and promise many more years of enjoyment to come.

96 POINTS

"Lots of blue fruits, bouquet garni, mint, chocolate, and crushed stone notes, as well as some Bordeaux-like lead pencil, emerge from the 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Georges III Vineyard, a full-bodied, richly textured, balanced beauty. It shows the concentrated, supple, fruited-loaded style of the vintage beautifully and is ideal for drinking over the coming 20 years or more." - Jeb Dunnuck, 96 points

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"Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon George III Vineyard rolls effortlessly out of the glass with bold notes of blackcurrant jelly, stewed plums and Morello cherries, plus wafts of Provence herbs, damp soil and truffles. Full-bodied, concentrated and laden with ripe black berry layers, it has a solid frame of grainy tannins and just enough freshness, finishing with an herbal lift." - Wine Advocate, 95 points

AVA: Rutherford, Napa Valley

Production: 219 cases Barrel aging: 22 months Alcohol: 14.9%

Retail: \$205

"The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Georges III shows the more savory side of the year. Blackberry jam, chocolate, sage, tobacco, menthol and cedar open with a bit of air. Firm tannins suggest the 2019 needs time to come together. Even so, I expect it will always retain a somewhat angular edge." - Antonio Galloni of Vinous, 92 points