

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 MISSOURI HOPPER VINEYARD

Sultry and hedonistic, the 2019 Missouri Hopper Cabernet Sauvignon delivers a velvet embrace from one of Oakville's most historic vineyards. The nose beckons with plush purple fruit, fine espresso and a touch of citrus zest. On the palate, an explosion of rich mocha fills the mouth with unabashed intensity, while gentle notes of nutmeg, Thai basil, kola nut and thyme build a fragrant counterpoint. Very fine-grain tannins provide sensuous support and guide the wine through its long, lingering blackcurrant finish.

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"The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper Vineyard has a Graves-like bouquet of darker currants, smoked tobacco, cold fireplace, and chocolate. This carries to a full-bodied Cabernet that has a great mid-palate, plenty of ripe tannins, and a great finish. This valley floor site always yields a darker, classic style of Cabernet, and this beauty will benefit from short-term cellaring and keep for 15-20 years." - Jeb Dunnuck, 97 points

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"Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper sings of stewed red and black plums, crème de cassis and wild blueberries, plus suggestions of violets, dusty soil and wild sage. Full-bodied, laden with flavors and solidly structured, the palate delivers taut, muscular black fruits and lots of earthy nuances on the long finish. A classic, stunning expression of Missouri Hopper!" - Wine Advocate, 95+ points

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AVA: Oakville, Napa Valley

Production: 158 cases
Barrel aging: 22 months

Alcohol: 14.9% Retail: \$205 "The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper Vineyard is packed with blueberry jam, crème de cassis, new leather, lavender, licorice and bittersweet chocolate that all race across the palate. Opulent and dramatic in the glass, the 2019 possesses tremendous depth and tons of pure power. It's a fabulous Cabernet from an Oakville site that is turning out some pretty special wines these days." -Antonio Galloni of Vinous, 95 points