



2012 LEEUWIN ESTATE ART SERIES CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Review Summary



97 pts “This is a linear and beautiful wine as always with currant, floral, mint and wet earth. Graphite. Rust. Metal shavings. Full body, chewy and tight with reserve and intensity. A truly excellent wine.”

Nick Stock
JamesSuckling.com
July 17, 2017

97 pts/THE TOP 100 WINES OF 2016 – #62 “This is the Mouton-Rothschild of Australia. Incredibly complex aromas of black currants, spice, cigar box and berry. Full body, fantastic palate with round and polished tannins. Goes for minutes.”

Nick Stock
JamesSuckling.com
October 20, 2016

96 pts “The headline, the main text and the footnotes all say one thing and one thing only: purity. And I suppose I should add elegance. They simply don’t come better in this mode.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion
June 2016

93 pts “Vivid ruby-red. Powerful, oak-tinged blackberry, cherry, candied rose, cured tobacco and mocha scents, accompanied by succulent herb and mineral flourishes. Sappy and seamless on the palate, offering densely packed but energetic bitter cherry, dark berry, mocha and licorice flavors that unfurl slowly. Youthful tannins shape a very long, sweet finish, which features resonating spice, mineral and floral pastille notes. This wine’s energy and balance suggest that it will enjoy a long, smooth evolution in bottle.”

Josh Reynolds
Vinous
October 2017



92 pts “The Art Series Cabernet seems to be increasing in quality nearly every vintage. The 2012 boasts plenty of sweet, cedary oak, but backs that up with layers of red currant fruit and hints of bay leaf. It’s silky and harmonious on the finish, adding tea-like notes of complexity.”

Joe Czerwinski
Wine Enthusiast
February 2017

91+ pts “An impressive showing, the 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Art Series is deep garnet-purple in color with menthol, dried herbs, creme de cassis and black forest cake notes. The palate possesses a medium to full-body with good concentration and a firm, chewy structure and great freshness, finishing long and pure.”

Lisa Perrotti-Brown
Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
March 2016

90 pts – Highly Recommended “Some real vigor on the nose with berries and underlying cedar notes. Lots of ripe mulberries surrounded by succulent tannins and a taut chalky texture that needs a bit of time to come together.”

Decanter
January 2017

90 pts “Intense, with mocha, cigar box and fresh loam notes providing a firm, slightly chewy background to the core of plum and black cherry flavors. Fresh mint and black olive accents linger on the finish.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
Wine Spectator
July 2016