



2014 CLOS DU VAL ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Review Summary



95 pts “Clos du Val is on a serious roll with the Estate bottling, the 2014 matching the 2013 in intensity, drinkability and age-worthy construction. Ripe black and blue berry, pie spice and moderate toasty oak spice are glass, aromas flood the glass and are delivered directly as palate flavors, with a mouth filling texture and a long finish that's already well knit together. Supple tannins bode well for a long life.”

Rich Cook, WineReviewOnline.com
July 11, 2017

92 pts “This wine is an excellent blend of 93% Cabernet, 3.5% Merlot, and 3.5% Cabernet Franc that was aged for 20 months in 40% new French oak prior to bottling in June 2016. The wine begins with aromatics reminiscent of cassis, dried sage, black cherry compote, and coffee grounds. This leads to deep flavors of mocha, green bell pepper, crème de cassis and suggestions of baking spices. Smooth and silky, this has a wonderfully polished mouthfeel.”

Owen Bargreen, InternationalWineReport.com
May 2017

91 pts “Fresh currant-leaf and berry character follow through to a medium body, a solid center palate of fruit and soft, delicate tannins. Consistently an outstanding bottle.”

James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com
May 5, 2017

91 pts “Clos Du Val’s 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate is intense, powerful and yet medium in body, as wines from this vintage tend to be... This is an impressive, classically proportioned Stags Leap Cabernet endowed with lovely precision and brightness.”

Antonio Galloni, Vinous
December 2016