

2018 JOHN DUVAL WINES PLEXUS SGM

Review Summary



95 pts “A very satisfying combo with no variety fighting for the lead. Expect a melody of red fruits lightly spiced with a fleck of herbs for good measure and meaty-stock flavours, too. The savoury and shapely tannins in tune with the more medium-weighted palate. Finishes fresh and buoyant. A ripper drink.”

Jane Faulkner
Halliday Wine Companion
August 6, 2020

95 pts “Quite striking in the glass, vibrant crimson-red with cherry-red edges. A spicy, subdued nose of ironstone and red licorice, oak-char and cinnamon. Fruit emerges on the palate, though there’s nothing sweet about it. Red berries peel off a tightly wound core of spice and soft tannin. Understated and classy - a pinot-esque elegance to it. Beautiful wine.”

Nick Butler
The Real Review
March 4, 2020

94 pts “Striking, with dark, compact notes of huckleberry, wild blackberry, blueberry and espresso that are fragrant, pure and generous. Velvety tannins and details of cigar box, gunpowder tea, freshly cracked black pepper and spice go on and on. Epic finish. Shiraz, Grenache and Mourvèdre.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
Wine Spectator
April 29, 2020

93 pts/EDITORS’ CHOICE “A mélange of comforting aromas float from the glass: chocolate, plum, cherry, baking spice, cedar and graphite. The palate is full in feel, yet chiseled, with silky fruit and a cedary spice that flows to the finish.”

Christina Pickard
Wine Enthusiast
January 12, 2021



93 pts “Saturated, bright-rimmed ruby. Expressive, smoke-tinged cherry and blueberry aromas are complemented by exotic spice, floral and licorice flourishes. Sappy, penetrating and seamless in texture, offering pliant red and blue fruit, spicecake and candied violet flavors that become firmer through the mid-palate. Finishes with impressive, spicy persistence and with polished tannins adding subtle grip.”

Josh Raynolds
Vinous
December 2, 2021

92 pts “This is a blend of 47% shiraz, 34% grenache and 17% mourvèdre with a gently earthy edge to the dark plums and blackberries, as well as blueberries and spicy, dry pepper. The palate has a supple and flavorful core of red and dark fruit.”

Nick Stock
JamesSuckling.com
November 5, 2020