

Château Margaux were in Napa Valley



Spottswoode Estate 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon

California, USA



DRY MED SWEET

ALCOHOL

14.2%

VARIETY

86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc, 4% Petit Verdot

Colour Notes

Deep violet.

Aroma Notes

This wine exudes power and elegance. Dense and focused.

Palate Notes

Plenty of ripe blue and red fruit accompanied by notes of mocha, carob, butterscotch, and toast. Hints of dried herb and rose petal. Long, clean, and fresh, its strong acid backbone is a hallmark of what will be another long-lived, collectible wine. Discernable tannins that are youthful yet lengthy complement the underlying intense fruit.



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Wine Enthusiast

98 POINTS

This remarkable wine from the famed family farmed, organic estate impresses immediately in its depth of concentration and stately grace, imparting a wealth of rose-garden compost and wild truffle on the nose. Within the vibrant range of sensual flavor is salted caramel, black cherry and chocolate, alongside a twist of saddle and campfire coffee. Its grip of focused tannin suggests years of aging potential.

Wilfred Wong of Wine.com

100 POINTS

#1 WINE OF THE YEAR 2017

The 2014 Spottswoode Cabernet Sauvignon may be one of the best wines of the vintage. On this day, I tasted nearly 100 of some of the best Cabernets from the Americas, and this wine stood alone as if there were no other wines in the room. This wine opens up with delightful and distinctive aromas of red to black fruits, a dusting of cocoa powder to capture me under its spell. Its palate is layered and superbly structured. The sweet tannins keep it all together before its crescendo of a long, lasting, and memorable finish.

Decanter

97 Points

Under winemaker Aron Weinkauf, Spottswoode is producing more classical wines than ever, and the 2014 is one of the most tensile, tight-knit benchland Cabernets of the vintage. A classy bouquet of crushed cassis, damson, graphite and spice, subtly framed by new oak, is followed by a taut, firm palate with a serious chassis of fine but abundant tannins, and a lovely line of acidity that lends this Cabernet amazing length. Great concentration and incipient complexity; this just needs time. Drinking Window 2024 - 2060

Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate 96 Points

It is certainly one of the wines of the vintage. Gorgeously opaque purple, it offers up notes of spring flowers, blueberries, blackcurrants, some baking spice and graphite. It is full-bodied, concentrated and rich, with layers of fruit...

Dhall & Nash

Oh wow! First of all, cellar this! Great tannins, oh so fresh, beautiful fruit – incredible integration between fruit and secondary characters – as if they are one – jeepers this is so good. *-P. Dhall, 2018*







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MATURATION

Aged 20 months in French oak barrels (new 60%)



THE SPOTTSWOODE ESTATE NIGHT HARVEST IMAGE: SPOTTSWOODE





THE LAND SPOTTSWOODE ESTATE 2014 CABERNET SAUVIGNON





United States California, Napa Valley, Estate Vineyard

VITICULTURE

NO. OF HECTARES

SOIL TYPE

INTERROW REGIME

Organic

16.2 ha

Alluvial clay loam from the Sulphur Creek fan.

A modified trellis system with tighter vine spacing.