

2001 Blankiet Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Paradise Hills Vineyard Napa Valley

Professional Reviews



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Saturated ruby. Highly nuanced aromas of crystallized berries, tobacco, minerals, and bitter chocolate, mocha and roasted herbs. Very cool and classy but backward cabernet, with subtly complex flavors of cassis, mocha, game and fresh herbs. Less flamboyantly ripe and sweet than the 2002, but distinctly claret-like in its finesse. Very firmly tannic today and perhaps beginning to shut down. A sophisticated cabernet that should enjoy at least 12 to 15 years of development in bottle. Both this and the 2002 version are 100% cabernet sauvignon. Although winemaker Helen Turley has a couple of new projects in the works, the Blankiet wines are currently her only set of wines in the market made from Bordeaux varieties.

93 points
