

2002 PlumpJack Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARD

Our 2002 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is 100% from our Estate McWilliams Vineyard located in the heart of the prestigious Oakville appellation.

HARVEST...

Took place from September 24th through October 1st. We made 13 passes through the vineyard only picking the blocks that we felt were physiologically ripe. The average chemistry of the blocks was 26.2 brix, a titratable acisity of .54g/100ml and a pH of 3.67

FERMENTATION...

ensued after a 24 hour cold soak at 55 degrees. The fermentation lasted for 13 days and reached a maximum temprature of 85 degrees.

AGING...

took place in 70% new French oak cooperage. Malolactic fermentation took place in barrel. The wine was racked quarterly and was in barrel for 19 months.

BOTTLING...

took place August 25th-27th, 2004.

OUR THOUGHTS...

The 2002 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon could quite possibly be the most hedonistic estate cabernet we have ever released. Pungent primary aromas of black cherry, plums, currants and roast coffee intermingle with secondary aromas of bakers' chocolate, melted licorice and blackberries. On the palate this wine exudes flavors of ripe plums, chocolate and cedar with hints of provincial herbs. The finish is full and long with a wonderful sweetness that coats the mouth for a full 30 seconds after tasting. Even though our 2002 is so approachable now the structure and tannins will allow this wine to age gracefully for the next 10-12 years.



2002 PlumpJack Estate Cabernet Sauvignon Reviews

Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate, Closing Date February 2005 Issue 157 94

"The 2002 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate (a 7,500-case cuvee of 100% Cabernet Sauvignon) is terrific. Wonderful floral notes intermixed with blueberries, black currants, and hints of licorice and spice box are reminiscent of some of the great Villa Mt. Eden Cabernets produced here in the mid-1970s. Deep purple in color, full-bodied, with sumptuous texture and a long, concentrated finish displaying beautifully integrated acidity and tannin, this blockbuster effort should age graciously for 12-15 or more years. Kudos to Plumpjack!"

Wine Spectator July 31, 2003

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"This is an intense, firmly tannic and richly concentrated wine. The flavors are built around vibrant currant, plum and floral notes, with cedar, nutmeg, chocolate and exotic spices filling in on the finish. The tannins are ripe and sturdy. Best from 2007 through 2013." ([L)