

2019 Janzen Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Iconic, synonymous with excellence, the celebrated Beckstoffer To Kalon vineyard has a long history of producing amazingly robust, yet balanced and elegant wines. Centered in the heart of Oakville, an alluvial fan enriches the soil with mineral deposits. Excellent sun exposure and cool evenings allow for optimal ripening conditions.

Seductive aromas of crushed berries, violets and fresh leather. A cornucopia of black and red fruit on first sip, buttressed with notes of tobacco and coffee. Rich texture and mouthfeel lead to a long yet elegant finish. We see this wine aging gracefully for 15-20 years.

Technical Notes

Varietal Content

100% Cabernet Sauvignon sourced from Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard, Oakville. Clone 337 on VSP trellising.

Aging

28 months in new Taransaud French oak barrels from the Allier and Tronçais forests.

Alcohol: 15.1%

T.A: 0.67/100ml

pH: 3.73

Consulting Winemaker & Viticulturist

Kirk Venge

Proprietors

The Janzen Family

Reviews

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine

April 2022 | Rating: 95***

Janzen Cabernets never go wanting for ripeness and richness, and this one is very much in the family fold, yet it excels for its concentration and enveloping complexity and, while a lavish effort by any standard, its sheer fruity depth and layering make it the clear standout of its clan. Though very young, it is an amazingly involving wine even now, but know that for all of its considerable immediate appeal, it is an eminently ageworthy working with great places to go and is built to evolve beautifully and improve for a decade or more.

Jeb Dunnuck

August 2022 | Rating: 95

The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Janzen Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard comes from one of the greatest sites in the valley and is all varietal. Its ruby/purple color is followed by a perfumed, expressive bouquet of red and black currants, flowery incense, leather, chocolate, and baking spices. It's medium to full-bodied on the palate and nicely balanced, with velvety tannins, a round, supple mouthfeel, and a great finish. It's drinking nicely already, but I see no need to delay gratification either. Nevertheless, it should have 15 years of prime drinking.

Wine Enthusiast

November 2022 | Rating: 94

Rich and layered in forest pine, tobacco and leather, this vineyard-designate shows a tremendous grip of tannin and generous oak. Vanilla, brown sugar and dark cherry accentuate this bolder, bigger wine. - VIRGINIE BOONE