



2008 Janzen Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Varietal Content:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Barrel Regime:

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

Alcohol: 15.1%

Vineyard Source:

Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard, Oakville. Clone 337 on VSP trellising

Winemaking:

Fruit picked in late October. Cold-soaked for one week. Native yeast used for fermentation. Délestage technique in fermentation process. Kept on lees for a one-month maceration period, and the lees pressed gently afterwards. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

Tasting Notes:

This famed vineyard produces Cabernet that exhibits a typical crème de cassis flavor, intermixed with notes of spice and new oak, giving it an earthy personality. The palate is ripe, rich and concentrated with a profound velvety texture.

Reviews:

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, May/June 2011 Rating 91

Good ruby-red. Very ripe aromas of cassis, black cherry and lead pencil. Silky and seamless but with good spicy, peppery lift to the flavors of blackberry, cassis, dark chocolate and licorice. As suave in the mid-palate as the Missouri Hopper Vineyard example but this wine's more muscular tannins will require greater patience. Finishes with torrefaction notes of espresso, dark chocolate and licorice.

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine, August 2011 Rating 91 Two Puffs

The depth and richness that makes wines from the To Kalon Vineyard so very special are very much on display here, and only an extra bit of ripeness holds the wine back from being even more impressive than it already is. Its curranty first notes are joined by hints of sweet smoke, cola, raspberry and creamy oak, and its supple entry and tannin-firmed progression are fully supported by ripe, fairly juicy, still evolving fruit that has years to go before showing its best. Do not be in a rush here as time is clearly on this wine's side.

Consulting Winemaker and Viticulturalist: Kirk Venge

Proprietors: Claus and Diane Janzen

Total Production: 211 cases

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Website Retail Price: \$135

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