



Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Vineyard

The Debate

2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Vineyard

95+ Points

Robert Parker Wine Advocate – October 2016

The profound 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Vineyard (15.1% alcohol) is another La Mission Haut Brion lookalike. Rich, with notes of charcoal embers, barbecue smoke, blueberry and blackberry liqueur, violets and a touch of wood spice, it is full-bodied, powerful, concentrated, layered and impressive. Drink it over the next 25-30 years...-RP

Like the wines themselves, larger-than-life Frenchman Jean Hoefliger is the winemaking consultant behind the small quantities of The Debate, where he has partnered with Rob McKay. After the incredibly successful 2013s, Hoefliger has followed up with equally fine 2014s, which are nearly as concentrated as the 2013s, slightly less structured, but for most consumers, more delicious and fruit forward, although several of these wines would certainly merit some bottle age to shed tannin. These are very impressive wines from consultant Jean Hoefliger and his partner, Rob McKay.

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