



Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard

Schrader Cellars

2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard Colesworthy

98 Points

Jeb Dunnuck – January 2021

A tour de force from this team, the 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard Colesworthy is a barrel selection from this site and I believe it's brought up all in new Darnajou barrels. It's a quintessential 2018 with its more reserved, elegant, yet incredibly concentrated style, and like its sibling, it has a beautiful, savory style that includes a wealth of red and black fruits as well as espresso, tobacco leaf, cedar pencil, and dried flowers. It's actually more reserved and backward than the straight single vineyard release and is full-bodied and flawlessly balanced, with massive tannins, integrated acidity, and a great, great finish. Like a lot of top 2018s from Napa, there's a more Bordeaux'esque quality to this wine. The tannins are firm and present, there's plenty of edge and cut, and it delivers a beautiful sense of weightlessness on the palate. Forget bottles for 5-7 years and enjoy over the following 25-30 years. – *JD*

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