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Vintage	Producer	Name	Tasting Notes	Score ↓	Drinking Window	Release Price	Review Date
2012	Blankiet Estate	Blankiet Estate Proprietary Red Paradise Hills Vineyard	Explosive, rich and layered, the 2012 Blankiet Estate Proprietary Red Paradise Hills Vineyard boasts striking precision and perfume. The 2012 is a wine of pure texture and balance. Rose petals, sweet red berries, mint and anise are some of the many notes that flesh out as the wine continues to open up in the glass. Bright, floral notes add lift on the finish. The 2012 is all about layers, depth and palate presence, all of which it has in spades. The 2012 is 81% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot and drops of Cabernet Franc and Merlot.	(96-98)	2017 - 2027	Not Available	Nov 2013
2012	Kapcsandy Family Winery	Roberta's Reserve	The 2012 Roberta's Reserve is showing beautifully today. Dark red berries, mocha, new leather, licorice, menthol and cinnamon all flesh out in a classy, voluptuous wine. The 2012 brings together some of the aromatic nuance of the 2011 with a level of density that recalls the 2010. Sweet rose petals, licorice, mint and red berries add further complexity over time. The 2012 remains bright,	(96-98)	2017 - 2032	Not Available	Nov 2013

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			focused and nuanced throughout.				
2012	David Abreu	Madrona Ranch	Voluptuous and racy, the 2012 Madrona Ranch is a great example of the year. Today, the aromas and flavors are quite primary. Instead, it is the wine's textural brilliance that stands out most. Freshly cut flowers, mint and dark red berries emerge over time, but it is early, early days for the 2012. The blend is 47% Cabernet Sauvignon, 45% Cabernet Franc, 6% Petit Verdot and 2% Merlot.	(96-98)	2022 - 2032	Not Available	Nov 2013
2012	Dana Estates	Cabernet Sauvignon Helms Vineyard	Dana's 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Helms Vineyard is intense, powerful and structured. All the hallmarks of this site emerge in a layered, textured wine of the highest level. Raspberry jam, flowers and sweet spices all take shape in the glass. The 2012 was predominantly fermented in oak vats, which allows the characteristic red fruit and iron notes to really pop in the glass. Floral notes reappear on the supple, sexy finish. Today, the 2012 stands out for its detail and pure nuance. There is a lot to look forward to here. The 2012 was fermented mostly in oak uprights, with just a dollop of barrel fermentation.	(96-98)	2017 - 2032	Not Available	Nov 2013
2012	David Abreu	Howell Mountain	Interestingly, the 2012 Howell Mountain presents distinctly dark red-toned fruit as compared to the 2010 and 2011, both of which lean much more heavily towards the blue/blackish end of the spectrum. Floral and spice notes add lift and aromatic finesse to a	(96-98)	2022 - 2032	Not Available	Nov 2013

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			wine that shows remarkable polish and silkiness. The mountain tannins are tamed, so I imagine some readers will prefer the 2012 over the 2010 and 2011, but in my view those two vintages are much more representative of site. The 2010 is 57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Cabernet Franc, 16% Petit Verdot, 5% Malbec and 5% Merlot.				
2012	Dana Estates	Cabernet Sauvignon Hershey Vineyard	The 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Hershey Vineyard is thrilling from the very first taste. The mountain characteristics and the qualities of this site come through in spades, but the 2012 has a level of pure voluptuousness that is a marvel to behold. Rich, powerful and totally alive in the glass, the 2012 is going to be an absolute joy to follow over the next two decades. Dark raspberries, blueberries, wild flowers, mint and graphite all linger on the powerful close. This is an unusually deep, polished young Howell Mountain Cabernet. The 2012 Hershey was fermented entirely in oak barrels.	(96-98)	2017 - 2032	Not Available	Nov 2013
2011	Dana Estates	Cabernet Sauvignon Hershey Vineyard	Graphite, crushed rocks, smoke, melted road tar, black fruit and incense explode from the glass in the 2011 Cabernet Sauvignon Hershey Vineyard. A huge, structured wine, the 2011 boasts stunning depth, power and richness. The intense salinity of the vintage and the trademark Dana intensity of fruit meld together in a Cabernet of true distinction. What a gorgeous wine this is. This is the first vintage to incorporate more than the original first acre of	97	2016 - 2031	\$400.00	Nov 2013

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			plantings. The first vintages were pure clone 1 Cabernet, while subsequent vintages include See clone fruit as well. The 2011 was fermented in barrel and spent 21 months in oak, 100% new.				
2011	Colgin	Syrah lx Estate	Colgin's 2011 Syrah IX Estate has always been magnificent from barrel and it is equally compelling now that it is in bottle. Inky, dark and explosive, the 2011 bursts from the glass with blue/purple/black fruit, menthol, cloves emerge from an intense, fruit-driven Syrah loaded with class and personality. There are no hard edges or angular contours in this drop-dead gorgeous wine. Savory notes are just beginning to develop, but ideally the 2011 needs a few more years in bottle to develop its bouquet. In 2011 Colgin was particularly severe with their selection, which resulted in the lowest production ever of Syrah at IX Estate.	97	2016 - 2026	Not Available	Nov 2013
2010	Barrett & Barrett	Cabernet Sauvignon	The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon is drop-dead gorgeous, just as it was last year. A dark, sumptuous beauty, the 2010 bursts from the glass with super-ripe, racy fruit, tar, new leather and a melange of exotic spices. Firm tannins support a gorgeous finish in a structured, powerful Cabernet Sauvignon endowed with tons of power and pure elegance. The 2010 was made from two vineyards in Calistoga, with a dollop of Cabernet Franc from a site in Oakville.	97	2018 - 2030	Not Available	Nov 2013

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2010	Diamond Creek Vineyards	Cabernet Sauvignon Volcanic Hill	Cool veins of graphite, pencil shavings, crushed rocks, plums, new leather, lavender and violets burst from the glass in the 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Volcanic Hill. Powerful, rich and intense, the 2010 impresses for its balance, symmetry and class. The classic Volcanic Hill tannins are there, but they are beautifully balanced by the intensity of the fruit. Veins of intense savory notes, minerals and cedar add complexity on the layered, kaleidoscopic finish.	97	2020 - 2040	\$200.00	Nov 2013
2010	Opus One	Opus One	The 2010 Opus One bursts from the glass with an exotic melange of black and blue fruits, menthol, cloves and licorice. Today the 2010 is much more overt, racy and intense than it was just a few months ago. The tannins have begun to soften, releasing the aromas and flavors in an opulent, full-bodied Opus One supported by veins of precise minerality. The 2010 is very, very young, but is also striking in its beauty.	97	2018 - 2030	\$235.00	Nov 2013
2010	Kapcsandy Family Winery	Roberta's Reserve	The 2010 Roberta's Reserve is deep, rich, and powerful. The most backward of the Kapcsandy 2010s today, the Roberta's impresses for its purity, centeredness and poise. The 2010 is nowhere near ready to drink. With time in the glass, some of its explosiveness begins to emerge. Dark plum, mocha, new leather and licorice are some of the many notes that flow through to the vibrant, nuanced finish. A dollop of Cabernet Franc (5%) rounds out the blend.	97	2020 - 2035	\$350.00	Nov 2013

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2010	Bond Estate	Melbury	The 2010 Melbury is rich, explosive and just as captivating as it was from barrel. Dark red cherry, plum, mocha, sweet spices and leather explode from the glass in a rich full-bodied wine loaded with intensity, class and pedigree. This is a great 2010 and a great Melbury. The tannins are quite firm, but there is more than enough fruit to provide balance.	97	2020 - 2030	\$375.00	Nov 2013
2010	Kapcsandy Family Winery	Estate Cuvee	A model of grace and finesse, the 2010 Estate Cuvee is showing beautifully today. Grilled herbs, smoke, plum and black cherry notes all meld together in an exquisite, gracious wine loaded with finesse and elegance. Today, the 2010 is a bit reserved, but its energy and exuberance just need time to fully emerge. The 2010s vibrant and impeccably nuanced throughout.	97	2018 - 2035	\$175.00	Nov 2013
2010	Bryant Family Vineyard	Bettina	The 2010 Bettina impresses for its tremendous energy, polish and vibrancy. Clean, saline notes support layers of expressive dark red fruit, crushed rocks, smoke, wild flowers and tobacco. A delineated, highly expressive wine, the 2010 emphasizes focus and clarity, but with all of the classic Bryant richness. I especially like the way the 2010 turns dark and explosive on the finish. In 2010, the Bettina is 78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot, all from David Abreu's Madrona Ranch, Thorevilos and Lucia vineyards.	97	2018 - 2030	\$425.00	Nov 2013

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2010	Corison Winery	Cabernet Sauvignon Kronos	The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Kronos is one of the most striking, hauntingly beautiful wine I have ever tasted from Cathy Corison. The perfume alone is captivating, but then the waves of fruit cover every inch of the palate. The 2010 boasts stunning depth, presence and personality. This is a super-classic Cabernet Sauvignon endowed with spectacular depth and intensity yet buffered by a firm sense of structure. Violets, orange peel, white pepper and a host of exotic notes linger on the close. What a gorgeous wine this is.	97	2019 - 2031	\$80.00	Nov 2013
2010	Ovid	Ovid	The flagship 2010 Ovid is just as impressive today as it was last year. A dark, dense beauty, the 2010 flows across the palate with stunning depth and purity. Mocha, espresso, graphite, wild flowers and intense dark fruit literally explode from the glass. The 2010 is exciting and viscerally thrilling from the very first taste. Seductive Cabernet Franc aromas are woven throughout, adding perfume, lift and an element of exoticism that is impossible to resist. The blend is 63% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Cabernet Franc, 5% Merlot and 2% Petit Verdot.	97	2016 - 2030	\$225.00	Nov 2013
2011	Scarecrow	Cabernet Sauvignon Scarecrow	Dark plum, mocha, spice, licorice and asphalt meld together in the 2011 Scarecrow. One of the most powerful, resonant wines of the year, the 2011 is endowed with serious structure. Readers need to be patient. Today the tannins are super powerful, but at the same	96+	2016 - 2031	Not Available	Nov 2013

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			time there is tremendous complexity in the glass. The 2011 is arguably the most refined Scarecrow ever made. There is plenty of depth, but also incredible elegance and precision throughout.				
2011	Kapcsandy Family Winery	Roberta's Reserve	Amazingly, the 2011 Roberta's Reserve may turn out to be better than the 2011. Today it is certainly much more polished, finessed and persistent than the bombastic 2010. Sweet herbs, wild flowers, mint and new leather are all layered together on the finish. The 2011 is all about purity, finesse and balance. What a gorgeous wine this is. The 2011 is 96% Merlot and 4% Cabernet Franc.	96+	2019 - 2036	Not Available	Nov 2013
2011	Araujo Estate Wines	Cabernet Sauvignon Eisele Vineyard	Araujo has long made some of the more restrained Cabernets in Napa Valley. The 2011 Cabernet Sauvignon Eisele Vineyard is one of the more Left Bank inflected wines in the estate's distinguished history. Beautifully layered and expressive, the 2011 graces the palate with exquisite finesse and total harmony. The 2011 isn't a huge, explosive wine like the 2010 or 2009, but it stands out for its exceptional length and vibrancy. Readers should not expect an obvious Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. I imagine the 2011 will still be marvelous at age 30, and I won't be surprised if it is one day regarded as one of the great, iconic wines of the vintage. The 2011 has been truly special since I started tasting the single blocks in the Spring of 2012. The blend is 94% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4%	96+	2018 - 2031	Not Available	Nov 2013

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Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot.							
2011	Lokoya	Cabernet Sauvignon Diamond Mountain	The 2011 Cabernet Sauvignon Diamond Mountain dazzles from start to finish. Iron, graphite, smoke, ash, crushed rocks, dark inky fruit, pencil shavings and tobacco emerge from a tightly-wound yet nuanced Cabernet Sauvignon loaded with character. The 2011 isn't an overt wine, rather it is a Cabernet Sauvignon that impresses with its persistence, energy and sheer class. Chris Carpenters makes the Diamond Mountain Cabernet from a parcel of vines planted on AXR rootstock that is slowly succumbing to phylloxera.	96+	2018 - 2031	\$350.00	Nov 2013
2011	Kapcsandy Family Winery	Cabernet Sauvignon Grand Vin	As great as the 2010 is, the 2011 isn't too far behind. Silky, gracious tannins form the backbone in a refined, beautifully balanced Grand Vin long on class. Sweet, perfumed and utterly impeccable throughout, the 2011 is a Grand Vin simply superb. With time in the glass, the 2011 fleshes out beautifully, showing remarkable depth for the year. The 2011 is 89% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot and 1% Cabernet Franc. The higher percentage of Merlot is typical of a lot of blends in 2011.	96+	2016 - 2031	Not Available	Nov 2013
2010	Screaming Eagle	Cabernet Sauvignon Screaming	The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon bursts from the glass with an exotic combination of pure power and intensity. Plums, mocha, lavender, espresso, licorice and new leather all blossom in a brooding,	96+	2018 - 2030	\$850.00	Nov 2013

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		Eagle	imposing wine that is going to require quite a bit of patience. This is another huge, dark Screaming Eagle. Plums, smoke, licorice and melted road tar add complexity on a huge crescendo of exotic aromas and flavors. The 2010 is 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot and 9% Cabernet Franc.				
2010	Spottswoode	Cabernet Sauvignon	The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon is drop-dead gorgeous. Over the last 12 months the 2010 has fleshed out beautifully. Today, the 2010 is rich, full-bodied and intense. The structure is that of a cold vintage, but the fruit and density are those of a year marked by three heat spikes. I imagine the 2010 will enjoy a long drinking window, starting in another few years, even if today the fruit is really popping. The 2010 is 92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot. This is a dazzling wine from Spottswoode.	96+	2017 - 2030	\$145.00	Nov 2013
2010	Bryant Family Vineyard	Bryant Family Vineyard	The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Bryant Family Vineyard is drop-dead gorgeous. A sumptuous, layered wine, the 2010 flows across the palate with stunning depth. The aromas are beautifully vibrant, nuanced and delineated, while the tannins have begun to soften just a touch, revealing superior depth, polish and finesse. Overall, this is an energetic vintage for Bryant's flagship Cabernet Sauvignon, with lovely tension and energy, not to mention tremendous overall balance. Rose petals, sweet red berries and	96+	2018 - 2030	\$425.00	Nov 2013

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mint wrap around the expressive, textured finish.