



KAPCSÁNDY FAMILY WINERY
2013 Vintage Reviews

2013 Cabernet Sauvignon – Grand Vin – 100 points

Little can be added to the greatness of the 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Grand Vin, a blend of 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot and 1% Petit Verdot. The wine (600 cases) is truly stunning in its dense, crème de cassis and blackberry-scented nose with a hint of barbecue smoke and forest floor. Tasting like a ripe vintage of Château Latour from Pauillac, the wine has amazing richness and a savory, expansive mouthfeel, but tiptoes across the palate like a ballerina. A wine of magnificent richness and intensity, but vibrancy, purity and overall equilibrium, this is a staggeringly great wine and another tribute to the Kapcsándy family's extraordinary professionalism and meticulous attention to detail in their vineyard.

- *Robert Parker, Jr., October 2016*

2013 Cabernet Sauvignon – Grand Vin – 99 points

The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Grand Vin opens with the most captivating, exquisite aromatics imaginable. A wine of arresting allure and total sensuality, the 2013 simply has it all. Today, the 2013 is a mere infant, but its personality, pedigree and overall class simply can't be denied. An exotic mélange of lavender, violet, sage, mint and wild flowers are laced into the finish.

- *Antonio Galloni, October 2015*

2013 Cabernet Sauvignon – Grand Vin – 98 points

Incredible black currant, blueberry, stone, oyster shell and violet. Subtle and complex. Sweet tobacco. Full body, superb density and flavor. Great length and structure. A wine that is complete and complex. So much aging potential. Linear and dense. Better in 2022.

- *James Suckling, May 2016*

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**2013 Roberta's Reserve – 100 points**

At 100% Merlot, the 2013 Merlot Roberta's Reserve is off the charts and could easily eclipse a great vintage of Pétrus in a blind tasting. Fabulous notes of sweet cocoa and chocolate intermixed with black cherry and blackberry soar from the glass of this full-bodied wine that has a deep, rich, profound core of fruit and density. It is a great example of possibly the finest vintage Napa has ever produced for Bordeaux varieties. This wine has greatness all over it, with a minute-plus finish, yet is accessible enough to be drinkable now or cellared for another 30+ years.

- *Robert Parker, Jr., October 2016*

**2013 Roberta's Reserve – 100 points**

A magnificent, towering wine, the 2013 Roberta's Reserve is deep, powerful and massively tannic. Far from an easygoing Merlot, the 2013 Roberta's Reserve is going to require considerable cellaring to fully blossom. Floral, savory and mineral notes are pushed forward, until a rush of blue and black fruits opens up on the mid palate and through to the finish. Lavender, sage, menthol, licorice and inky fruit add the final shades of nuance in an explosive Merlot to put away in the darkest corner of the cellar.

- Antonio Galloni, October 2015

**2013 Roberta's Reserve – 100 points**

The aromas to this are mind-blowing. Pure violets, lilacs, blueberries, blackberries, licorice, and flowers. Full body and superb tannin tension with polish and balance. Harmony. The layers and texture to this are phenomenal. The greatest American merlot ever made. Ranks among the best in the world. Only about 300 cases made.

- James Suckling, September 2016



**2013 Rapszodia – 99 points**

Another Cheval Blanc-like blend of 65% Cabernet Franc and 35% Merlot is the 2013 Rapszodia Proprietary Red, which has mind-blowing aromatics of blueberries, white flowers, raspberries and foresty notes in a fragrant, compelling scent of explosive perfume. Deep, concentrated, multidimensional, yet vibrant and super-concentrated, this is another tour de force, although only 150 cases were made of this superstar that finished at 13.8% natural alcohol. Drink it over the next 25-35 years.

- Robert Parker, Jr., October 2016

**2013 Rapszodia – 98 points**

This is 65% cabernet franc and 35% merlot with super tension and beauty plus mineral, stone, blueberry, salt, and chalk. Full-bodied, silky and chewy, yet exciting tannins. The energy and zen to this wine are amazing. I love tasting it now but it will be superb for decades ahead. Drink or hold.

- James Suckling, May 2016

**2013 Rapszodia – 97+ points**

The 2013 Rapszodia, Kapcsándy's, Cabernet Franc/Merlot blend, is utterly magnificent. Deep, powerful and wonderfully resonant in the glass, with broad shoulders and fabulous concentration, the 2013 exudes a regal, aristocratic personality that is undeniable. Mocha, plum, espresso, spice and new leather are some of the many dimensions that open up. Readers will have to be patient, though, as the 2013 is a wine built for the cellar. In 2013, the blend is 65% Cabernet Franc and 35% Merlot.

- Antonio Galloni, October 2015



**2013 Estate Cuvée – 97 points**

The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate Cuvée State Lane Vineyard, 67% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot, spent 20 months in oak prior to being bottled unfiltered. They made 750 cases of it and it is a fabulous wine that is not far from being another perfect example. A classic, almost Médoc-like blend

offers up notes of forest floor, blackcurrants, tobacco leaf, a touch of barrique, a saturated purple color, and, once past the gorgeous aromatics, a wine of phenomenal intensity, spectacular texture, length and overall balance. Look for it to evolve for 30 or more years.

- *Robert Parker, Jr., October 2016*

**2013 Estate Cuvée – 96 points**

The 2013 Estate Cuvée is dark, powerful and explosive, but also super-refined. Floral and spice notes appear first, followed by a host of balsamic-inflected overtones. Beams of tannin and acidity give the wine much of its energy, but the Estate Cuvée is, above all else, a wine of exquisite purity and finesse. I will not be surprised to see the 2013 show even better in another few years. With time in the glass, the 2013 fleshes out a touch, but the best is yet to come. The blend is 67% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot.

- *Antonio Galloni, October 2015*

**2013 Estate Cuvée – 95 points**

This shows wonderful tension and form with chocolate, currant and stone aromas and flavors. Full body, ultra-fine tannins and a long and flavorful finish. Very tight and stylish. Needs time to soften. But beautiful texture. Better in 2018 but who could wait.

- *James Suckling, May 2016*