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2018 HAZEL'S VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Review Summary

96 pts – "Fermented in concrete vats, matured for 16 months in French oak (30% new). Savoury, textured and very long, this is not the succulent red-fruited explosion of Margaret River cabernets (neither a good nor bad thing, just an observation). It has the layered complexity we often find in Bordeaux, with a plumply satisfying core of cassis and redcurrant. Not overt, but restrained, with willowy tannins. Cellar or drink – both will bring immense pleasure."

Erin Larkin, Halliday Wine Companion May 2021

95 pts – "Deep, rich colour, still with a trace of purple remaining, the bouquet highly appealing with cassis, blackberry, mulberry aromas, the palate confirming concentrated fruit and strong backing tannins that are fine-grained and balanced. An intense, yet elegant, and very attractive full-bodied cabernet. A little tough at this stage and would appreciate some hearty food with protein."

Huon Hooke, The Real Review 11 January 2023

95 pts – "The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Hazel's Vineyard, a single vineyard, biodynamically farmed Cabernet Sauvignon is a beautifully poised and crystal clear expression of Margaret River. There is outstanding purity of fruit and power - blackcurrant, blackberry, dried herbs and gravel aromas all beautifully wrapped up with exceptional oak. There is also serious concentration with waves of flavour wound up tight. The balance is immaculate with manicured tannins and bright acidity also driving a finish of astounding length. So impressive and ready to unfold over at least the next decade."

Angus Hughson, Vinous 8 September 2022

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94 pts – "Rich summer-berry aromas and a wealth of youthfully complex notes, such as leaves, earth, sweet oak spice, violets, earth and chocolate. The palate has a rich core of ripe and sweet berries and carries long on quite dense tannins. Blueberry finish.."

James Suckling, James Suckling.com 24 November 2021