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2023 Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Oakville AVA, Napa Valley

Winemaker: Jeff Ames | Cooperage: 22 Months French Oak, Taransaud and Darnajou

Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper | One of Napa Valley's oldest vineyards, Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper yields ripe fruit full of balance and power. Perfectly trellised vines soak up morning fog from the San Pablo Bay, while the robust vine foliage protects growing clusters from summer heat. Today the vineyard is planted with some of the valley's most preeminent Cabernet clones.

Oakville AVA | Found on low-lying flatlands between the Mayacamas and Vaca Mountains, Oakville AVA is rife with well-drained gravel soils, producing Bordeaux varietals rich in texture and firm, approachable tannins. A vinicultural treasure, Oakville's warm climate, unique soil composition and topography are ideal for growing renowned Cabernet Sauvignon.

Vintage Notes | Defined by abundant winter rainfall and mild summer temperatures, the 2023 vintage saw one of the longest harvests in recent Napa history. An extended ripening period allowed grapes to develop remarkable concentration while preserving vibrant natural acidity and aromatic purity. The resulting wines are deeply expressive, offering exceptional freshness, refined structure, and polished tannins. Widely regarded as a benchmark vintage, 2023 combines immediate appeal with the balance and pedigree for decades of cellaring.

Accolades

Jeb Dunnuck, 97+ | The 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper Vineyard is brilliant, and it reminds me of a great vintage of Château Ducru-Beaucaillou with its purity, balance, and elegance. Sporting a deep purple hue, it offers brilliant aromatics of crème de cassis, violets, pencil lead, melted crayon, and smoky tobacco nuances. It hits the palate with full-bodied richness, a pure, beautifully balanced, elegant mouthfeel, plenty of ripe, polished tannins, and nicely integrated acidity. While it clearly offers pleasure today, it deserves 7-8 years of bottle age if you can, and it will see its 40th birthday in fine form. Drink 2032-2065.

Scores Retrospective - 2022 (94+) | 2021 (96) | 2019 (95) | 2018 (96) | 2017 (95)



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