



K&L Wine Merchants Top 10: 2013 Hidden Ridge "55% Slope" Sonoma County Cabernet Sauvignon

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SKU #1352410 97 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

“ The 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon 55% Slope comes from the Sonoma side of the Mayacamas Mountains. It is 100 % Cabernet Sauvignon from a vineyard planted at 1,700 feet. This is a remarkable wine and reminiscent of the great classics from the golden era of the Mayacamas on the Napa side (such as the 1968, 1970, 1973 and 1974) come to mind when tasting this beauty. It is simply loaded. Dense purple in color, the wine has notes of licorice, crème de cassis, Asian plum sauce, cedar wood and earth. Full-bodied, opulent and irresistible already, it is capable (because of the impeccable balance and purity) of aging 20-25 or more years. This is a modern-day classic that could compete with very finest Cabernet-based wines in the world. (RP) 97+ ” (3/2016)



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It's no secret that the 2013 vintage for Cabernet in California's North Coast was phenomenal. And this sterling effort from Hidden Ridge is certainly no exception. This is high-elevation Cab at its best. Unlike its brethren on the other side of the Mayacamas Range, this 2013 is stately and demure (as opposed to rambunctious and raucous). Don't get me wrong, there's no shortage of bold, dark fruits and excellent wood spice, but it's framed in a reserved manner. The overall effect is tantalizing. Plum, cassis, mocha, cedar, Asian spice, and anise seed all work together to create an experience that captivates from the first sip to the last. It is an absolute joy to drink now, but I can't wait to see what it does ten to twenty years down the line. A top-notch wine in every way. Don't miss it.

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It only takes one quick sniff to see the remarkable pedigree here as fine aromas of pure black cherry, bright florals, and dark chocolate emerge from the glass. The palate is incredibly focused, full of deep red fruits and a laser-like acidity. The purity and refinement are striking and speak loudly to the amazing vintage. There is structure here to spare. This is one of those wines that leaves you imagining how it will evolve, and at the relatively modest price you can probably squirrel away a few bottles to find out. Drink now with a long decant, or cellar for five years and enjoy for the following 15-plus. A terrific wine and a great example of the heralded 2013s.